Managing Situations

It is not always easy to cope with the way we feel, especially with unfamiliar or negative feelings. Look at the following situations and think of how you would feel if they happened to you in Secondary School. Then try problem solving each situation to help you best manage your feelings and actions.

SITUATION	FEELING How would you feel if this happened to you?	PROBLEM SOLVING – WHAT COULD YOU DO? If this situation happened to you, what could you do to help you best manage these feelings?	WHO COULD HELP? Who would you ask for help and what would you like them to do?
You don't understand your homework. No one in your family can help, it is due the day after tomorrow.			
You have a big argument and fallout your with your best friend. You have been friends since Primary school.			
One of your teachers shouts at you a lot in class and you think he is 'picking on you'.			
A group of children in your class make fun of you all the time and call you unpleasant names.			
You lose your lunch card and don't have			

any money for lunch.	
You can't contact your	
parents to help.	
You forget your PE kit	
and your PE teacher is	
very strict. You are	
worried you will get in	
to trouble.	
You and some friends	
are messing around	
and having banter.	
However, you think	
you might have upset	
someone (you didn't	
mean to).	
Your teacher talks	
quite fast and you	
really struggle to keep	
up in lessons. You	
can't always remember	
all the instructions that	
they give you.	
You have a family	
member who isn't well.	
You keep thinking	
about them during the	
school day and find it	
hard to concentrate.	
You keep feeling sick	
and getting stomach	
ache. It gets worse just	
before a particular	
lesson or if you have to	
speak in front of the	
class.	

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