A green robot with yellow eyes and a red heart

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Jot the friendly robot.



**Jot the Friendly Robot Building Wellbeing Workshop Session Plan for Teachers and Educational Settings**

Host a ‘Jot the Friendly Robot Building Wellbeing Workshop for your pupils with this step-by-step session plan.

**What are the aims of the workshop?**

The aim of this robot building workshop is to help children learn about emotional literacy.  
The workshop activity provides a fun, creative and comfortable environment for teachers to start a conversation with children about emotional wellbeing, the importance of talking about how we feel, and to look at the things we can do when we feel sad or worried.  
The children will learn about how to manage difficult feelings with the help of ‘Jot the friendly robot’s wellbeing tips.

We will be using the children's creativity to create their own robots like Jot, by using recyclable materials.

This workshop is suitable to be delivered as a 45–60-minute group workshop or as a whole school morning or afternoon assembly activity.

**Equipment you will need for the workshop:**

* Pupils to bring in recyclable items and boxes that they can use to build their robots.
* Jot the friendly robot building workshop wellbeing flashcards
* Brown tape, scissors, and felt tip pens.
* Robot eyes, mouths and buttons print-out (for pupils to cut-out to decorate their robots with).
* Jot the robot building wellbeing workshop worksheet.

These resources can all be downloaded and printed off at: [www.suffolk.go.uk/jot](http://www.suffolk.go.uk/jot)

**Jot the robot building wellbeing workshop instructions**

**Part 1 Introducing the pupils to Jot the robot and using the Jot wellbeing resources**

1. First play the introductory 'Jot the friendly robot building wellbeing workshop video' to your pupils which can be found here on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tJxjO5eKOrM>   
     
   Pause the video when you get to the slide with the bucket which says...'What do you do to feel better when you are feeling sad, worried or angry? (slide 2:43 of the video)
2. Handout the ‘Jot the friendly robot building workshop wellbeing flashcards to the pupils (Download the flashcards here: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/asset-library/jot-flash-cards-a4-2.5mb-web-v2.pdf> or you can request these to be sent to your school – see email contact below).

Get the pupils to look at them and pass them round. Spend 5-10 minutes discussing with the pupils which of the tips they do which helps them feel better when they feel sad or worried.

1. Continue playing the introduction video through to the end**.** You can also show the pupils other animations of jot the robot’s well-being tips which can all be found here: [www.suffolk.gov.uk/jot](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/jot)

**Cartoon robots in a room

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**Part 2 Robot building activity**

Using the recyclable items get the pupils to build their own robots.   
Get the pupils to decide if they would like to work on own their own or as a team to build their robots.

Give pupils 30-45minutes to build their robots (or if they prefer to draw their robots instead they can).

You could get the pupils to draw their robot designs first before they start building their robot – depending on how much time you have and what would work best for your pupils.

When building their robots get them to think about:

What their robot does and don't like?

How will their robot help others?

What to call their robot?

Whilst helping pupils to build their robots continue the conversation about what things they like to do that makes them feel better when they feel sad or worried.

Allow 10-15 minutes at the end to get the pupils back together to show everyone their robots and share their creative ideas for how they built their robots.

Finish off the workshop session by handing out the 'Jot the friendly robot wellbeing workshop worksheet' which rounds up the workshop activity with some important wellbeing messages for pupils. The worksheet can be downloaded here: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/asset-library/jot-the-robot-building-wellbeing-workshop-work-sheet.pdf>

Please download the Jot the friendly robot poster resources to put up on your school noticeboards. Go to [www.suffolk.gov.uk/jot](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/jot)

If you would like to request hard copies of the Jot the friendly robot booklet, flashcards and poster resources, please email: [engagementhub.enquiries@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:engagementhub.enquiries@suffolk.gov.uk)

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