

HH-A-0004--- Family Guide

Story Topic

A real apology includes responsibility, repair, and changed behavior.

Child Concern

A child may wonder what to do after a joke or action hurts someone.

Caregiver Encouragement

Slow down, listen, protect the other person's boundary, and avoid forcing an apology or forgiveness.

Conversation Starters

- What made the splash unsafe?
- What helped Austin speak his boundary?
- What did Callen do after saying sorry?
- Why did he ask before the feather joke?

Everyday Examples

- Joining a game
- Borrowing an object
- Making a joke

Optional Extension

Use three safe household objects to recall the three repair steps. Invite your child to point to each object while naming the step. Do not require reenactment or personal disclosure.