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- Sometimes we feel stressed.
- I have ways to help me cope.

### Talk it Over:

Share with your child about a time that you felt stressed and how difficult it was to think clearly in the situation. What are the things you have found that helped you to cope.

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