

## Yay!! You get to play Coping Skills



Coping skills are strategies you use to help you deal with stressful situations you go through. Coping skills help calm you down or help make the situation tolerable.

As we go through life, everyone experiences stress or anxiety over something, both kids and adults. We have to find ways to learn to deal with our anxieties in a healthy way.

#### How To Play:

Follow the directions on each page. When you see the BINGO spinner, click the sign that says, Crank the Spinner

The spinner will roll ways you can learn to cope. Then you will learn examples of that way to cope.

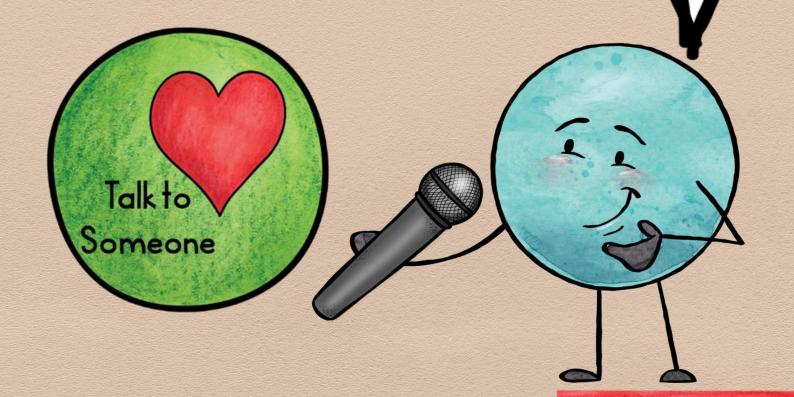
Lastly, you'll touch your BINGO dabber to dab your spot on the BINGO card. When you get 5 dabs in a row (vertical, horizontal, or diagonal) you will BINGO!

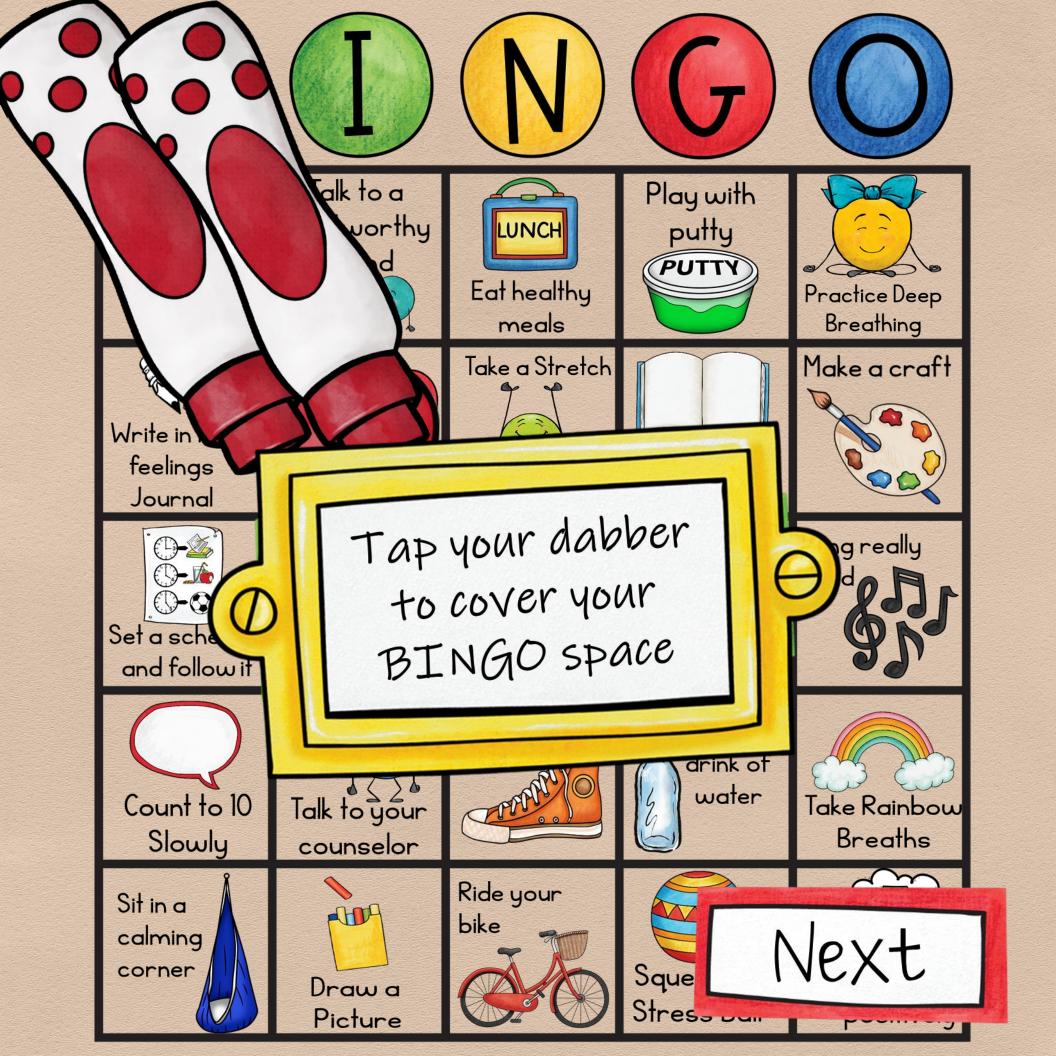


Crank the Spinner

Talk to Someone

Great! You rolled, "Talk to Someone." When you get sad, mad, frustrated, or angry, find a trusted adult to give you good advice.



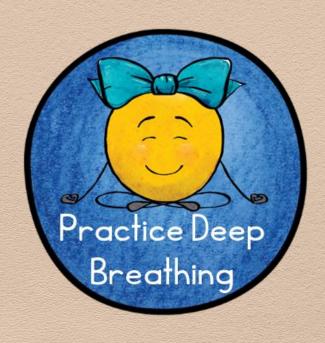


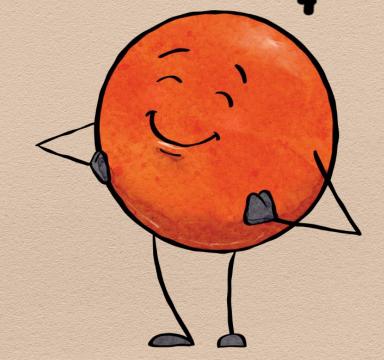
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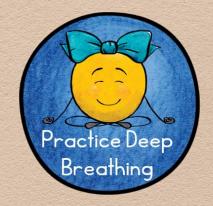
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Practice Deep Breathing

You know, when you get upset or stressed, taking deep breaths makes me feel better.



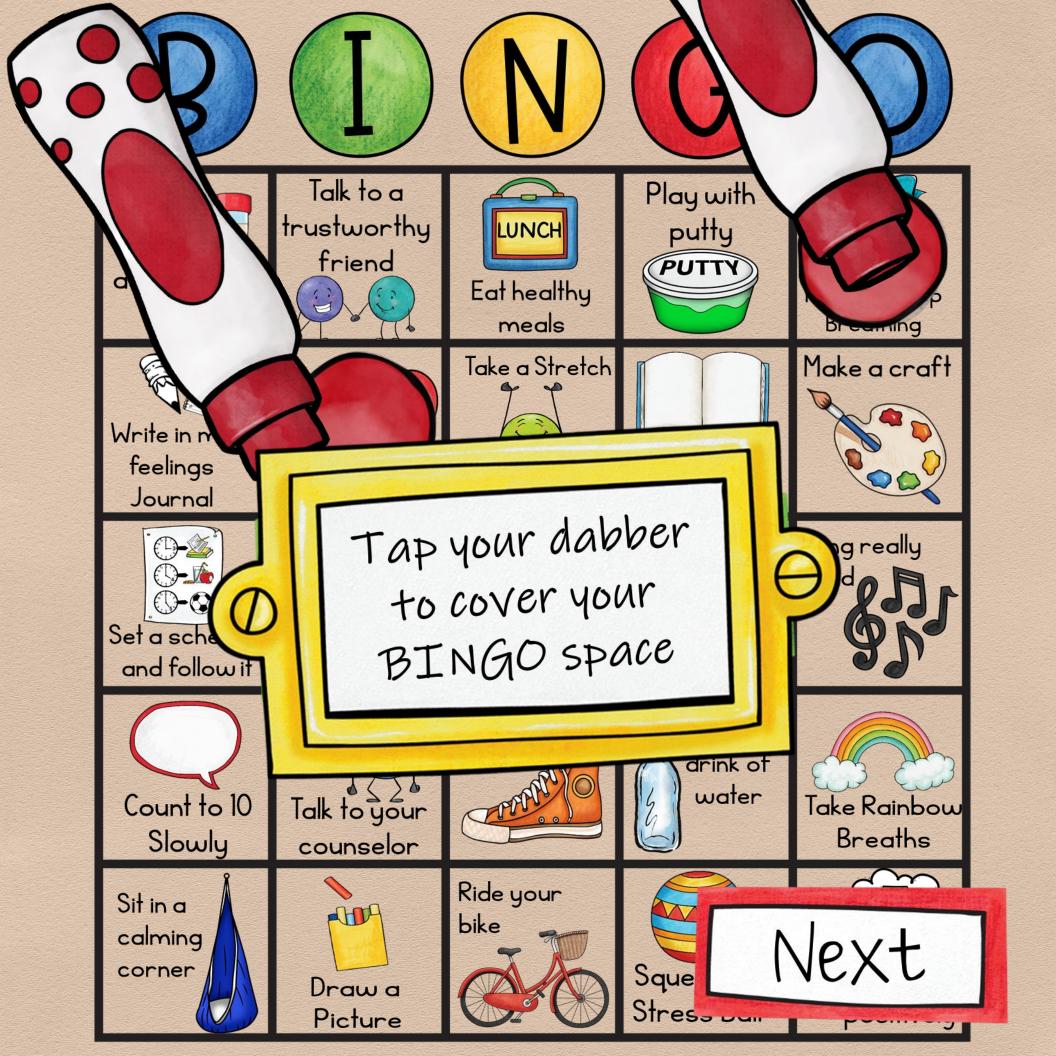




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## BINGO

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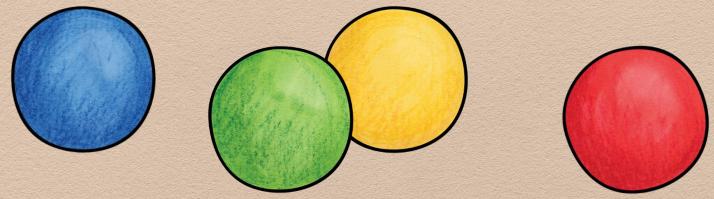
Set a schedule and follow it

#### Did you know?

When you struggle to follow through with doing things, creating a schedule and following it will help you to do better?

(Even adults need a schedule!)





Let's crank that spinner again and see what you roll next!

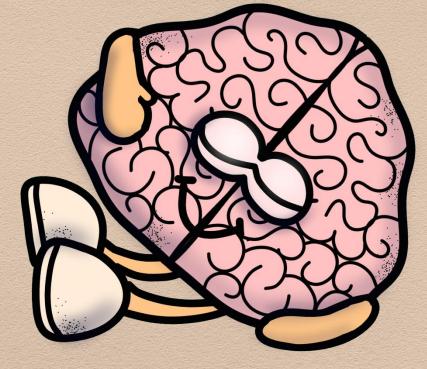




### Ask for a Brain Break Ask for a Brain Break

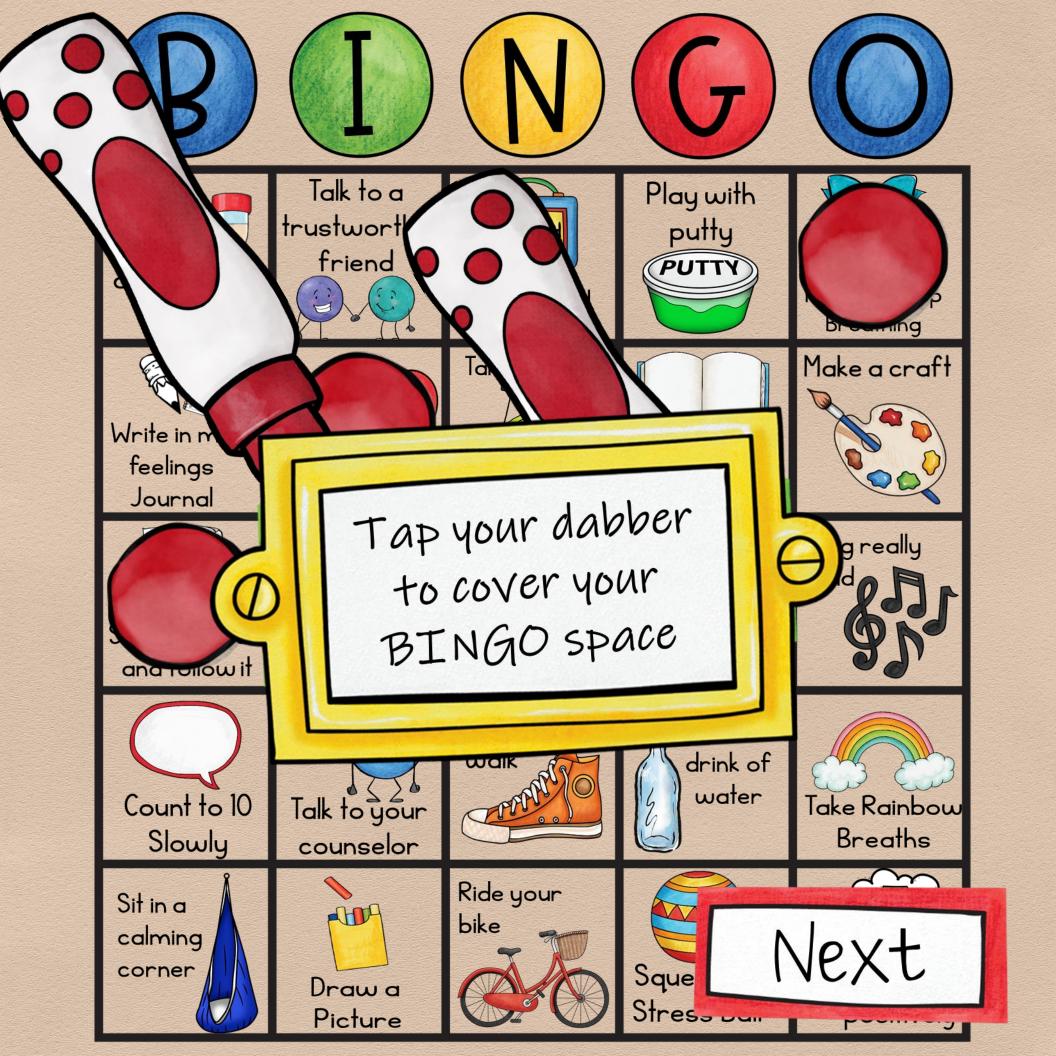
## Trivia Question:

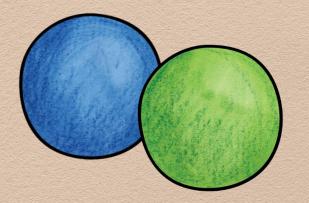
What is a Brain Break?

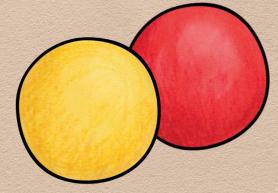


- 1) When your brain splits
- 2) When you walk away from what you are focusing on to let your brain rest and refocus
- 3) When your brain does jumping jacks





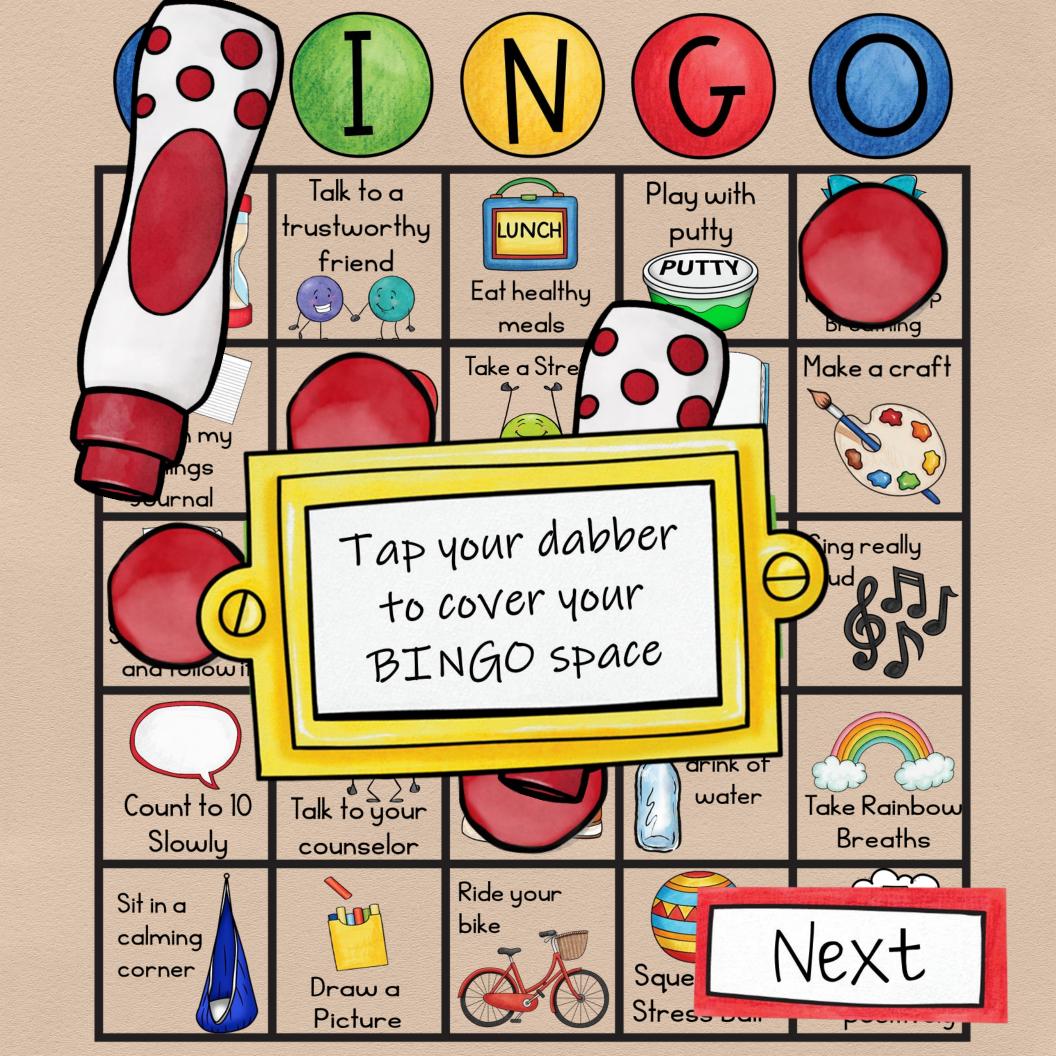


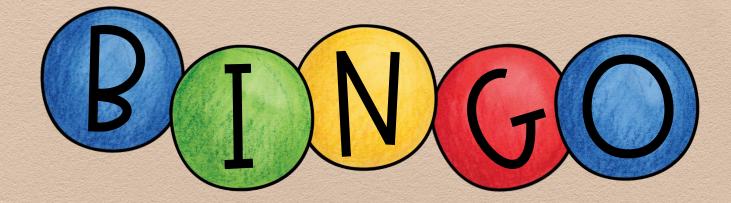


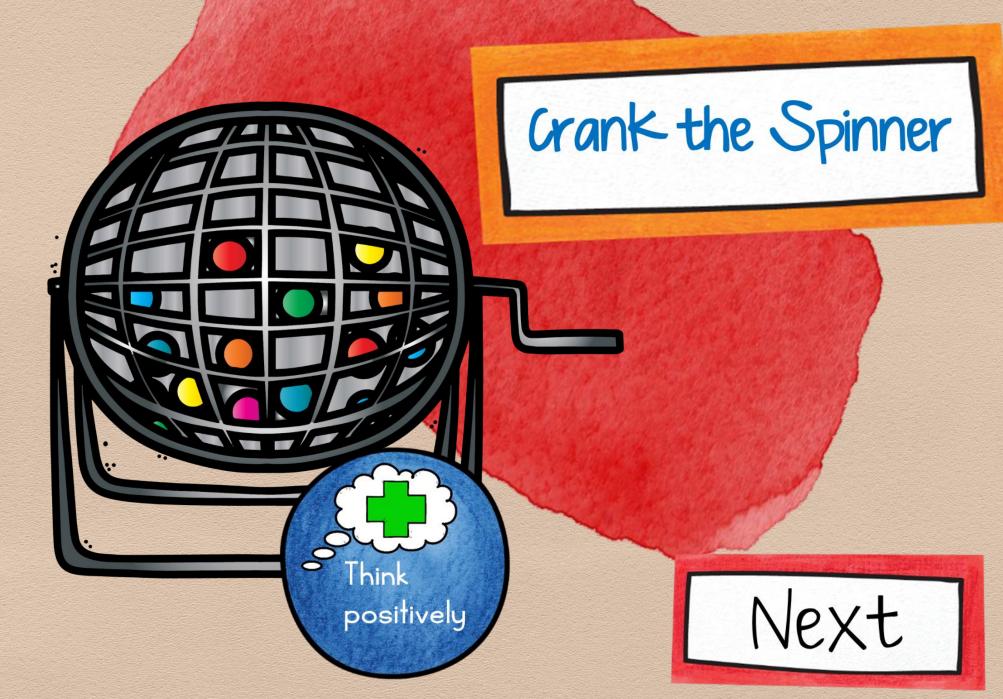
Give it your best shot and see what you roll this time!











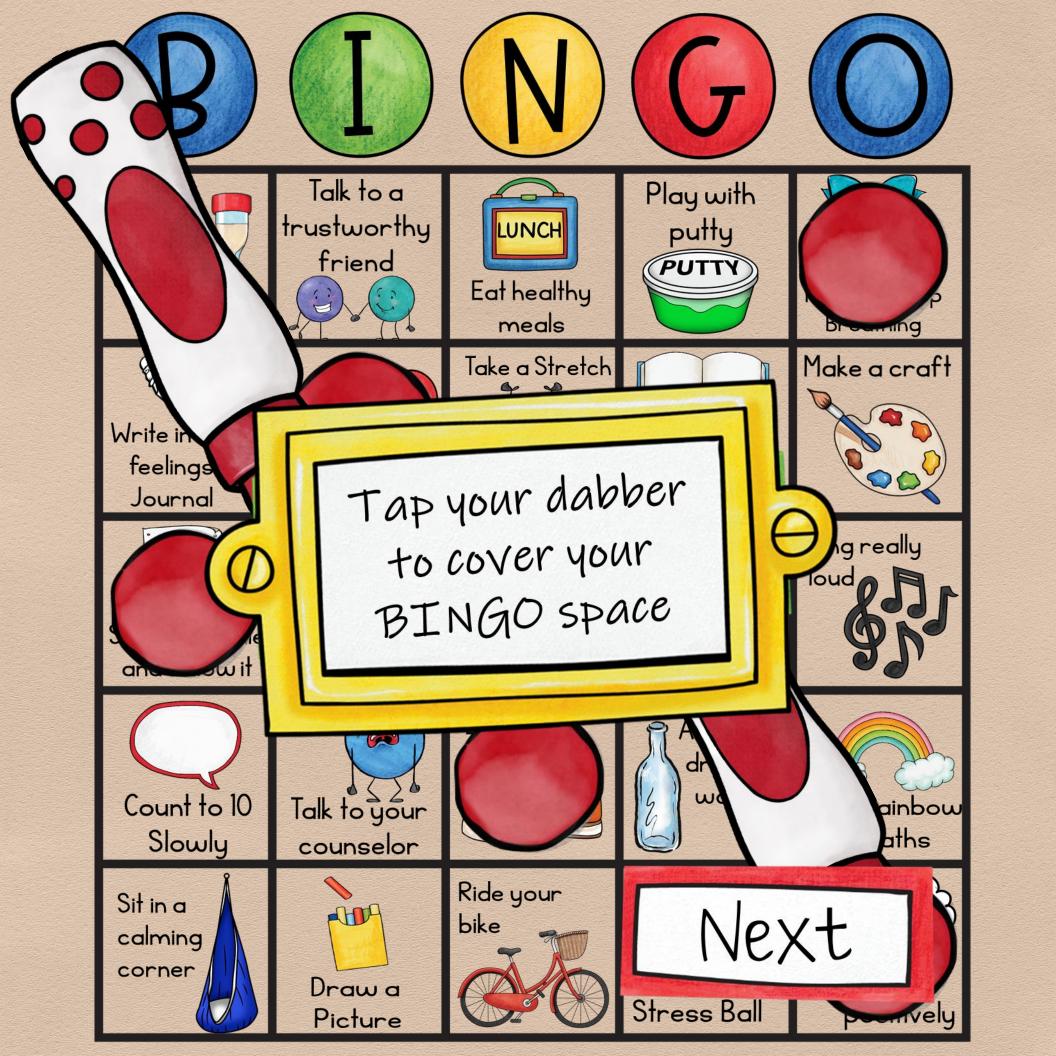


## Here's something "cool"

I bet you didn't, know?

When you think positive thoughts, it changes the chemicals in your brain. The chemicals that help you to feel happy, calm, and optimistic overpower the chemicals that make you feel sad, gloomy, and pessimistic. When the positive chemicals overpower the negative chemicals, you have the power to change your moods by your positive thoughts! Pretty cool, huh? Yep, and that's real science.

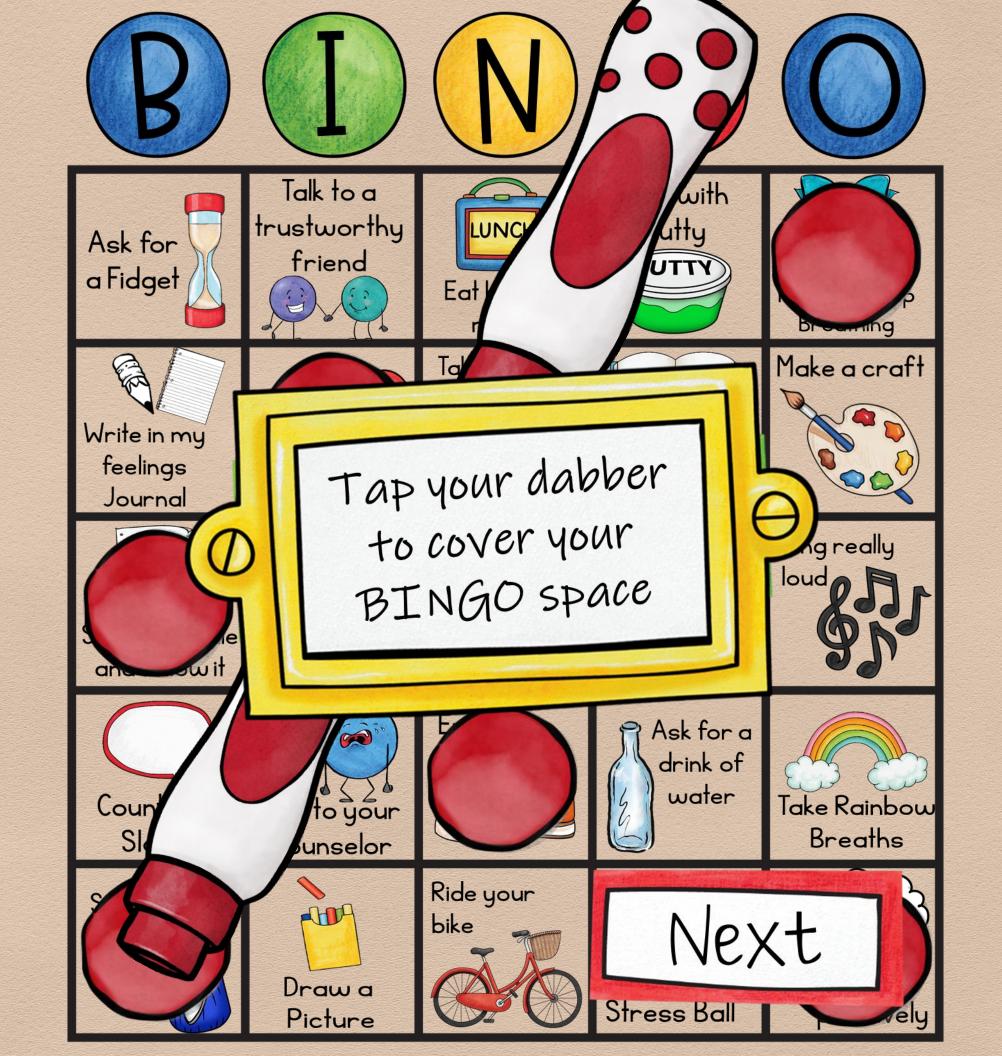
your welcome.



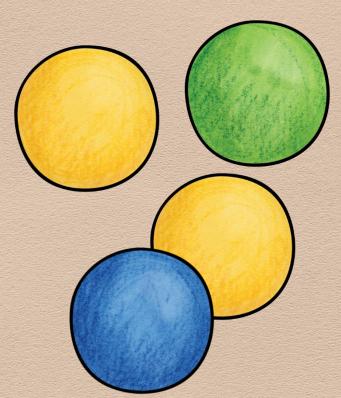


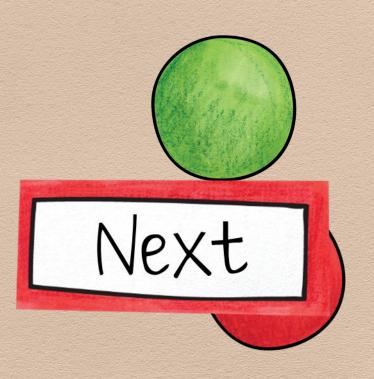






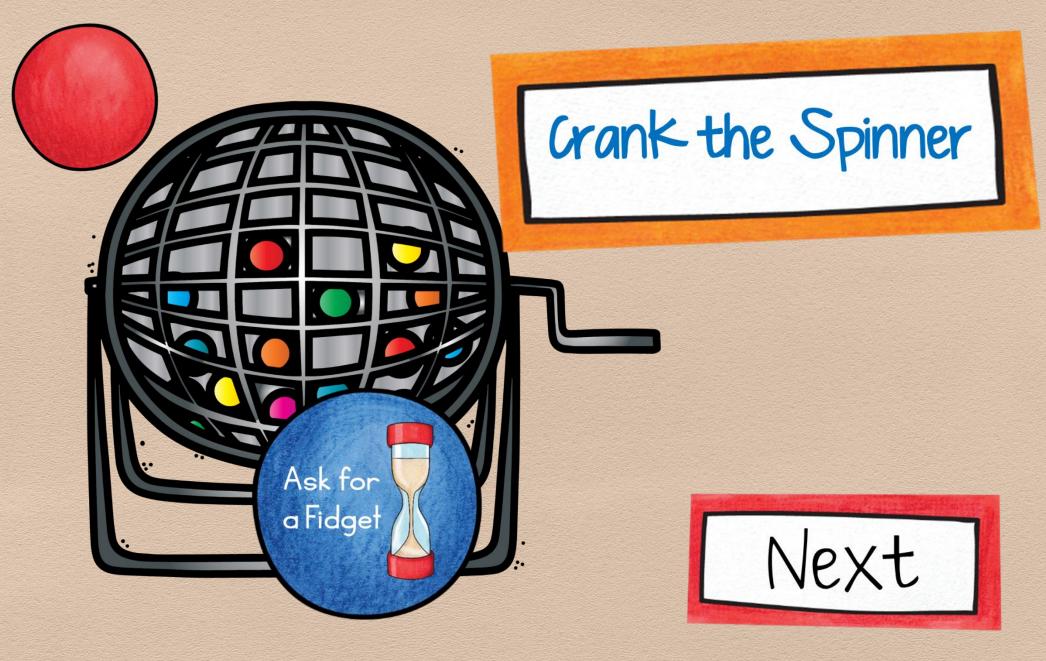


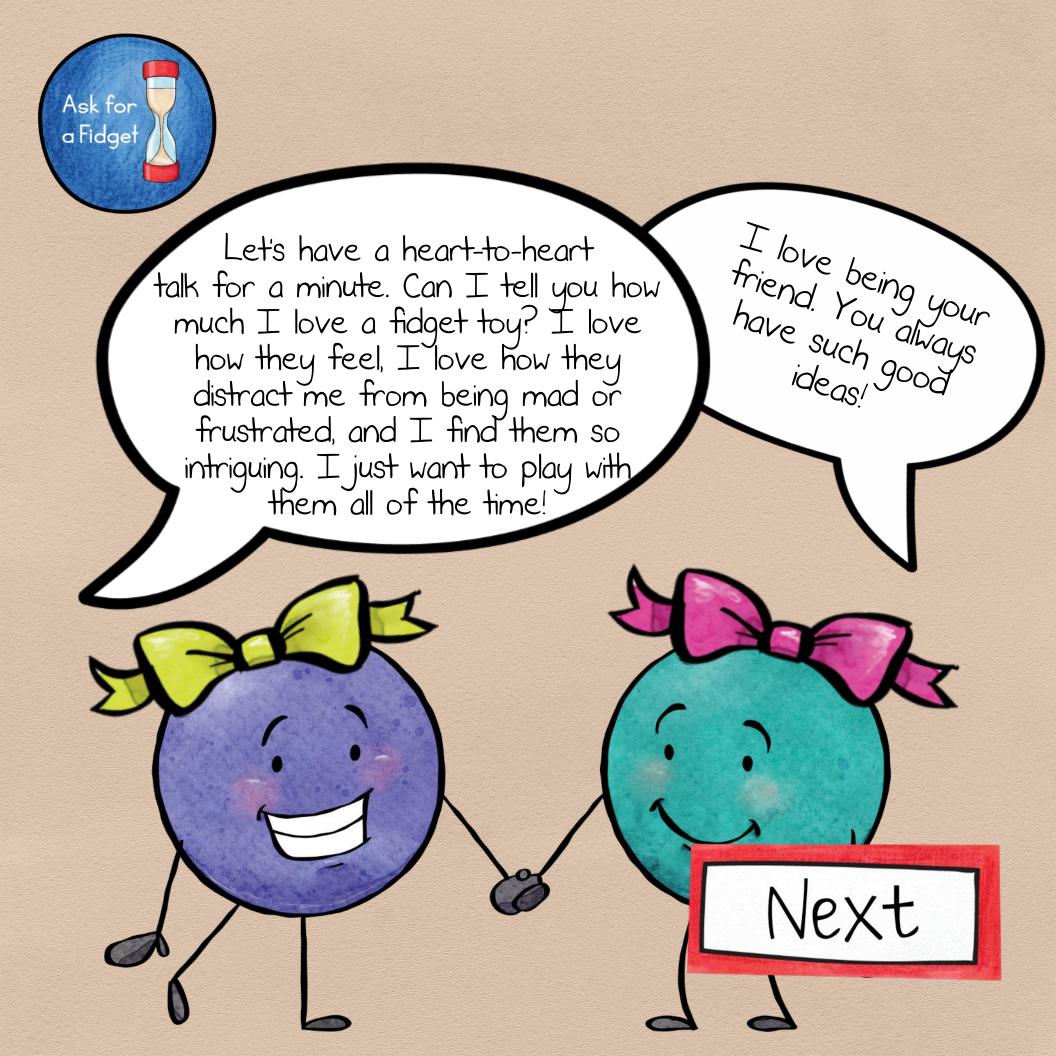


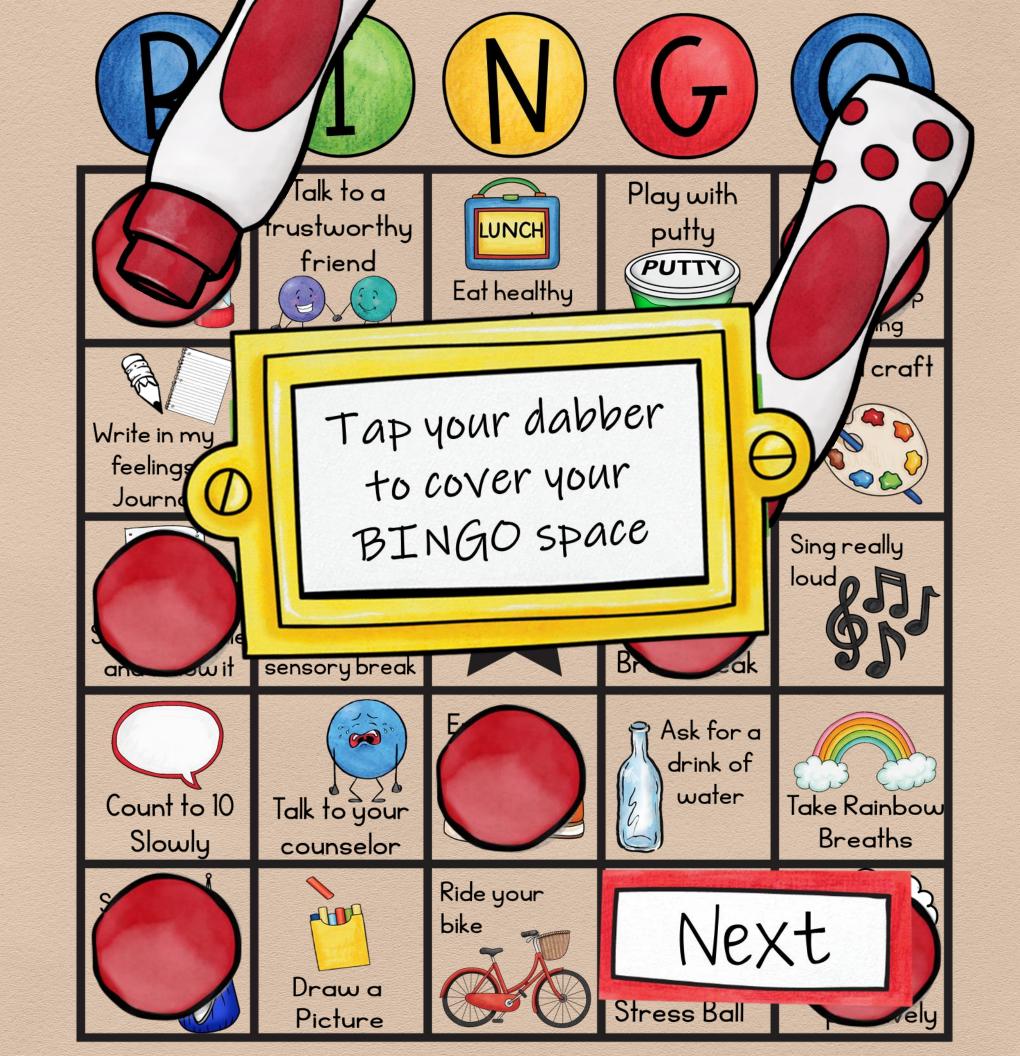


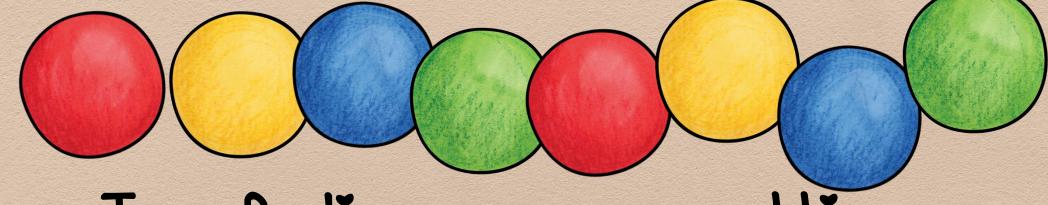


## Oh you are getting so close to a BI GO!

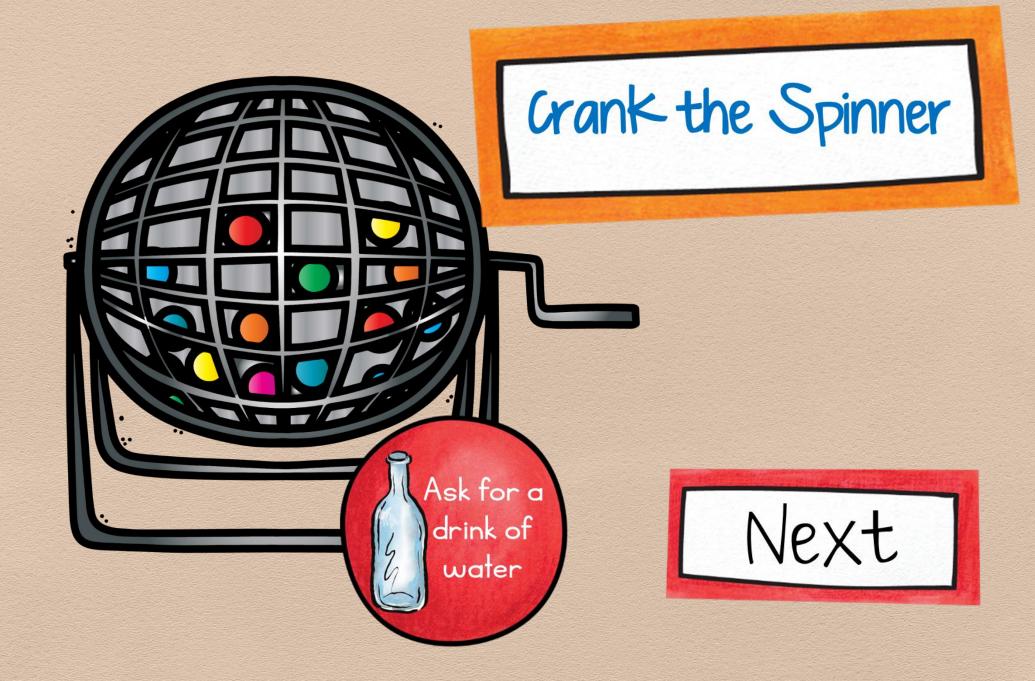








## I'm feeling you are getting lucky!





#### I bet you wouldn't have thought that water was a coping skill, would you?

Actually, when you get mad, frustrated, anxious, or sad, water is a great way to regulate your emotions. You might ask, "Why" or "How?"

So....water helps hydrate your body. Research shows you are more apt to get mad, frustrated, anxious, or sad when you are de-hydrated. By adding water to your body, you are able to hydrate your body, thus calming you down.

Trust me on this one. Counselors are trained to give a bottle of water to students that are angry. 

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