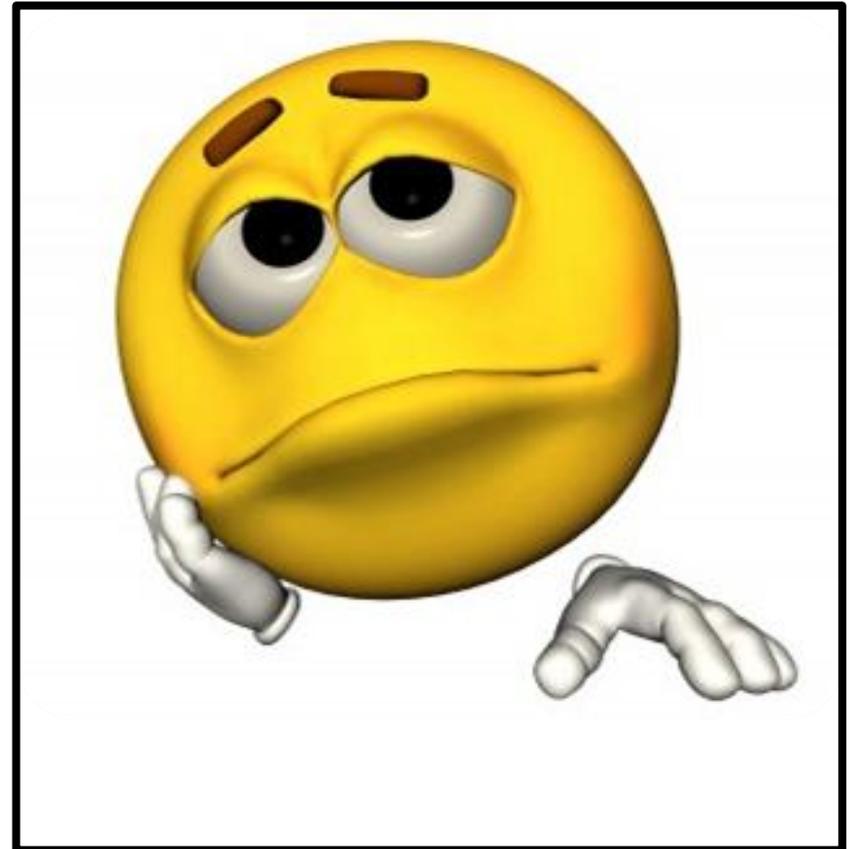
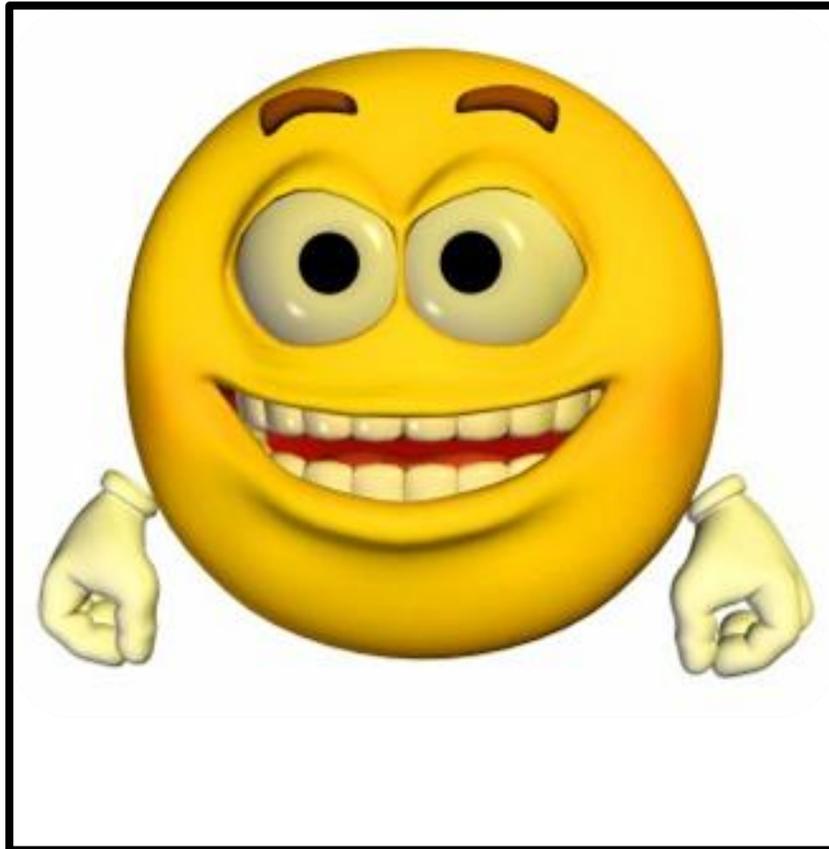


Don't Complain!

To prepare the game, cut out the two faces and glue them back to back (on a tongue depressor would be fun). Cover with clear contact paper. Cut out each of the statements and put them in a bowl.

In today's lesson we learned that complaining is a terrible sin, but it's easy to complain without even realizing what we're doing! With this game, we want to learn to recognize complaining. Divide the class into two teams. Ask a review question from the lesson. The child who raises his hand first and gives the correct answer gets 10 points for his team. He may then come and choose one paper from the bowl. Read it out loud. He must hold up the correct face card to show if those words are sin or not. If he is correct, he gets 20 points instead of 10. At the end of the game, the team with the most points wins!

Note: If you have the time, make one of these smiley/sad sticks for all the children in the class to use from their chairs during the game (as you read every statement).



“I don’t want to eat this. I don’t like it!”

“But why can’t I go to the party? Everyone else is going.”

“But I don’t want to go to bed now. I’m watching this T.V. program.”

“Sure, I’ll put the dirty dishes in the sink for you, Mom.”

“Sure, Mom, I’ll be glad to go to the store for you.”

“Sure, Mom, I’ll play with my little brother so you can take a nap.”

“That teacher always gives us so much homework!”

“I don’t see why he always gets better marks on tests. I don’t like him.”

“Okay, I’ll clean my room now!”

“I don’t know why I have to be so short.”

“I hate my hair. I wish it was like my friend’s hair.”

“I had my hand up before him. You never pick me!”