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Skit # 1: Love and belonging

Setting: Kindergarten classroom in urban area.

Plot: The scene describes the longing sensation for love, belonging, and friendship expressed through the eyes of a child.

Maiya is five years old, she is starting her first day in a new school with no friends being new to the area.

Maiya: I am sad.

Ms. Tish: Why are you sad Maiya?

Maiya: No one wants to play with me, I have no friends, I am not important.

Ms. Tish: Maiya my love, you are wonderful, and you are in fact important indeed. I am sure your friends would love to get to know you. Starting a new school can be scary. Can I help you make a friend?

Maiya: I don't think they like me.

Ms. Tish: Well lets try! Hey Samantha, would you like to come draw pictures with me and Maiya?

Samantha: Umm, no.

Ms. Tish: would you like to try something else?

Samantha: No. I only play with Sara

Ms. Tish: You can play with many friends; we all can play together.

Samantha: Umm, she looks weird.

Skit # 2: Safety

Setting: In a high school where students are beginning to arrive for school.

Plot: The characters discuss safety issues within their environments.

Scene begins with students sitting in a classroom chatting. Jaimie is sitting nervously looking around rapidly.

Jamie: I don't feel so great. I saw some a violent accident on my way to school today. I don't feel safe going home.

Megan: woah for real? Where?

Jamie: just up the block.

Riley: Oh Jamie, I'm sorry you had to go through that, are you ok?

Jamie: Thank you, and no I am not ok.

Megan: Was it a shooting? Because they shoot by my house every day, we stay low from windows.

Riley: Woah that's terrible? You should move!

Megan: It's cool we are used to it plus my mom doesn't work right now. We are living with my grandmother.

Riley: That's ok. We used to hear gunshots where we lived before, now we live in a quieter part of the city.

What was it that you saw Jamie?

Jamie: A car accident.