---2 Types of Sentences for Social Stories™---

The diagram below provides examples of the two types of sentences to use in a Social Story™: sentences that describe and sentences that direct. Two to five sentences that describe should be used for every one sentence that directs.

**Sentences that Describe**

- **Directive Sentences**
  - Provide suggestions for behaviors or responses.
  - Examples:
    - "I can ask for help.
    - "I can say, 'hello.'
    - "I can raise my hand when I have a question.
    - "I can use polite words.
    - "I can ask my friend to play.
    - "I can say, 'How are you today?"

- **Descriptive Sentences**
  - Sentences that describe how other people might help the learner.
  - Examples:
    - "Clean hands help people stay healthy.
    - "There are big dogs and small dogs."
    - "In the mornings, I will get dropped off at my classroom."

- **Perspective Sentences**
  - Sentences that describe a person's feelings or opinions.
  - Examples:
    - "I might feel happy and excited because kindergarten is fun."
    - "My teacher likes it when I use nice words."
    - "I might feel mad."
    - "My mom will be proud of me."

- **Cooperative Sentences**
  - Sentences that stress a shared cultural value.
  - Examples:
    - "It's okay."
    - "It's a good thing to be polite."

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