Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Reception)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Нарру	Feeling good and smiley inside Feeling full of joy	SmilingLaughingHeart feels light	Antonym: Sad	 I was happy playing with my friend. She felt happy at her party. He was happy when he finished his drawing. 	I cried because I didn't want to share.
Sad	Feeling unhappy Feeling down or like you want to cry	CryingQuiet voiceHeavy heart	Antonym: Happy	 I felt sad when my toy broke. He was sad when his friend left. She felt sad when it rained. 	I jumped up and down with joy.
Excited	Feeling very happy and bouncy Feeling a lot or energy and enthusiasm	JumpingSmilingCan't sit still	Antonym: Tired	 I was excited before the trip. She was excited to open her present. He felt excited to see his grandma. 	I sat still and didn't want to go.
Scared	Feeling frightened or afraid Feeling afraid or unsure	HidingHolding someoneFast heartbeat	_	 I was scared of the loud noise. She felt scared in the dark. He was scared to try the slide. 	I ran up to it with no fear.
Sorry	Feeling sad about what you did	Looking downQuiet voiceSaying sorry	_	 I felt sorry for pushing. He was sorry for shouting. She said sorry for breaking the crayon. 	I laughed when I hurt someone.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Reception)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Angry	Feeling cross or mad Feeling very annoyed and upset about something	Red faceLoud voiceStomping feet	Antonym: Calm	 I was angry when I lost my turn. She felt angry when her tower fell. He shouted because he was angry. 	I smiled and said "That's OK."
Upset	Feeling sad or worried about something Feeling not happy or bothered	CryingFrowningSaying "I don't like it"	Synonym: Sad	 I was upset when my milk spilled. She felt upset when her drawing ripped. He was upset when he was left out. 	I giggled when it spilled.
Tired	Feeling like you haven't got any energy left Wanting to rest or sleep	YawningSlow movingRubbing eyes	Antonym: Excited	 I was tired after running. He felt tired at story time. She was tired after lunch. 	I jumped around full of energy.
Proud	Feeling pleased with yourself Feeling good about what you did	SmilingChest outShowing work	_	 I felt proud of my painting. She was proud to write her name. He was proud to help his friend. 	I hid my work and looked sad.
Calm	Feeling quiet and peaceful Feeling still and relaxed	Deep breathsStill bodySoft voice	Antonym: Angry	 I was calm after sitting quietly. She felt calm with music. He stayed calm during tidy-up time. 	I shouted and ran around.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 1)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Brave	Feeling ready to do something that scares you	Heart beats fastShaky legsDeep breaths	Antonym: Scared (Reception)	 I was brave and went on the big slide. She was brave and told the truth. He was brave at the dentist. 	I didn't try because I was too scared.
Confused	Feels like nothing makes sense	Scratching headFrowningLooking around		 I felt confused by the game rules. She was confused by the puzzle. He looked confused in the lesson. 	I knew exactly what to do.
Cross	Feeling annoyed and showing it	FrowningLoud voiceCrossed arms	Synonyms: Angry (Reception); Frustrated (Y1) Antonym: Calm (Reception)	 I felt cross when someone took my turn. She was cross when her tower fell. He was cross when he had to stop playing. 	I didn't mind and just smiled.
Embarrasso	d Feeling ashamed and shy	Red cheeksLooking downHiding face	Antonym: Proud (Reception)	 I felt embarrassed when I dropped my tray. She was embarrassed to sing in front of the class. He was embarrassed when everyone looked at him. 	I stood tall and smiled at everyone.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 1)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Fair	When something feels right and equal When everyone is treated the same	Calm voiceSmilingFeeling included		 We took turns to be fair. It was fair to let everyone have a go. She shared her snack to be fair. 	He kept everything to himself.
Frustrated	Feeling so annoyed that you can't stand it anymore Feeling upset because something is hard	 Groaning Clenching fists Saying "this is too hard!"	Synonyms: Angry (Reception); Cross (Y1) Antonym: Calm (Reception)	 I was frustrated trying to do my zip. She was frustrated with the puzzle. He felt frustrated when he couldn't tie his laces. 	I found it easy and did it quickly.
Honest	Being truthful and not telling lies	Calm faceKind voiceFeeling proud	Antonym: Dishonest	 I was honest and said I broke it. She was honest about what happened. He felt honest when he told the truth. 	I said nothing even though I knew.
Jealous	Feeling like you want something that someone else has	FrowningFolding armsLooking sad	Antonym: Proud (Reception)	 I felt jealous when she got a sticker. He was jealous of her new toy. She felt jealous when he got a turn first. 	I clapped for her and smiled.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 1)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Patient	Being able to wait calmly for something	Deep breathsQuiet handsSmiling		 I was patient in the queue. She was patient while I spoke. He waited patiently for his turn. 	I shouted, "Hurry up!" and pushed in.
Worried	Feeling afraid (scared) that something will go wrong	Tummy acheBiting nailsCan't stop thinking	Antonym: Selfish (Y2)	 I was worried about my first day. He felt worried when Mum was late. She looked worried before her turn. 	I didn't mind and felt relaxed.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 2)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Annoyed	Feeling a little bit angry	Tight lipsEye-rollingShort replies	Synonym: Angry (Reception); Cross (Y1)	 I felt annoyed when someone kept tapping me. He was annoyed when he lost the game. She got annoyed when her pencil broke. 	I laughed and didn't mind.
Apologetic	Feeling very, very sorry about what you did	 Quiet voice Gentle eyes Saying "sorry"	Synonym: Sorry (Reception)	 I felt apologetic for being late. She was apologetic when she spilt the juice. He looked apologetic after bumping into me. 	I ran away and said nothing.
Cheerful	Feeling full of happiness and smiles	Big smileBright eyesSkipping	Synonym: Happy (Reception)	 I felt cheerful on a sunny day. She looked cheerful at playtime. He sounded cheerful when singing. 	I sat sadly on the bench.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 2)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Curious	Felling like you really want to find out more	Wide eyesAsking questionsLooking closely	_	 I was curious about how plants grow. He felt curious when he saw a new animal. She was curious about the story ending. 	I didn't care what happened.
Determined	Wanting to do something and not letting anything stop you	Steady breathingClenched fistsStrong voice	Antonym: Frustrated (Y1)	 I was determined to finish my drawing. She was determined to learn her spellings. He felt determined to beat his score. 	I gave up straight away.
	Felling like something isn't as good as you expected	Drooped shouldersSighingSlow steps	Synonym: Sad (Reception) Antonym: Excited (Reception)	 I was disappointed when it rained. She felt disappointed when the toy broke. He looked disappointed when he didn't win. 	I cheered even when I lost.
Guilty	Feeling bad about something that you did	Looking downQuiet voiceHeart feels heavy	Synonym: Sorry (Reception)	 I felt guilty for not telling the truth. She felt guilty after taking a toy. He was guilty for breaking the rule. 	I laughed after I broke the rule.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 2)

	Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
		Feeling very upset and sad about something	CryingHeavy chestLying still	Synonym: Sad (Reception)	 I felt heartbroken when my pet died. She was heartbroken when her friend moved. He was heartbroken when his picture ripped. 	I just laughed and threw it away.
ī	Nervous	Feeling scared or worried about something	Shaky voiceButterflies in tummySweaty hands	Synonym: Scared (Reception); Worried (Y1)	 I felt nervous on stage. She was nervous before her test. He looked nervous meeting someone new. 	I was calm and didn't think about it.
	Selfish	Only caring about yourself Only thinking about yourself, not others	 Grabbing Not sharing Ignoring others	Antonym: Fair (Y1)	 I was selfish and took all the pens. He was selfish during the game. She acted selfishly at snack time. 	I shared the toys with everyone.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 3)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Competitive	Wanting to win or be the best	Fast heartbeatFocused eyesExtra energy	_	 I felt competitive during the race. She felt competitive playing board games. He was competitive when we did maths quizzes. 	I didn't try because it didn't matter to me.
Enthusiastic	Feeling very excited to do something	Jumping inBig smileLoud voice	Synonym: Excited (Reception)	 I was enthusiastic about drama club. She was enthusiastic to read her book. He felt enthusiastic about painting. 	I said I didn't want to take part.
Grateful	Feeling thankful	SmilingSaying thank youWarm feeling inside	Antonym: Selfish (Y2)	 I felt grateful for my birthday present. She was grateful when a friend helped her. He said thank you and felt grateful. 	I didn't say thank you and turned away.
Grumpy	Feeling stuck in a bad mood	FrowningCrossed armsShort words	Synonyms: Sad (Reception); Annoyed (Y2) Antonym: Happy (Reception)	 I felt grumpy when I was tired. He was grumpy after a rainy day. She felt grumpy when she didn't win. 	I smiled and played happily.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 3)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Muddled	Feeling confused or jumbled up	 Looking puzzled Saying "I don't know" Mixing up ideas 	Synonym: Confused (Y1)	 I felt muddled in the maths lesson. She was muddled about the homework. He felt muddled with the new words. 	I understood everything clearly.
Relaxed	Feeling free from worries Feeling calm and not worried	Deep breathsLying downSmiling	Antonym: Worried (Y1); Nervous (Y2)	 I felt relaxed reading a book. She felt relaxed on the bean bag. He felt relaxed listening to music. 	I was pacing and biting my nails.
Sensitive	Feelings things very deeply Getting feelings hurt easily	Crying quicklyWorried faceCareful listening	_	 I felt sensitive when someone laughed at me. She is sensitive to loud noises. He is sensitive and kind to others. 	I didn't care when they shouted.
Shy	Feeling nervous around other peope	Looking downSmall voiceStaying back	Synonym: Embarrassed (Y1) Antonym: Brave (Y1)	 I felt shy on my first day. She was shy to ask a question. He felt shy at the party. 	I walked up and spoke to everyone.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 3)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Sulky	Being quiet and grumpy and moping about	Looking awayArms foldedNot talking	Synonym: Upset (Reception); Grumpy (Y3)	 I felt sulky when I couldn't go outside. She was sulky when she didn't win. He sat sulky during the lesson. 	I joined in and smiled.
Surprised	Feeling shocked by something that you didn't expect	Raised eyebrowsWide eyesSaying "wow!"	_	 I was surprised when I saw the cake. She was surprised by the new pet. He looked surprised at the magic trick. 	I already knew it was going to happen.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 4)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Aggressive	Feeling full of anger and ready to attack	Clenched fistsRaised voicePushing or shouting	Synonyms: Angry (Reception); Cross (Y1) Antonym: Calm (Reception), Fair (Y1)	 He was aggressive and pushed in line. She sounded aggressive when she shouted. I was aggressive in the game and didn't let others play. 	I spoke kindly and took turns.
Cheeky	Being a little bit naughty and playful	SmirkingGigglingPlayful eyes	_	 He gave a cheeky grin after hiding my pencil. She was cheeky when she told a silly joke. I was cheeky when I answered with a rhyme. 	I sat quietly and didn't say a word.
Impatient	Feeling like you just can't wait for something to happen Not wanting to wait or take turns	Tapping feetSighingInterrupting	Antonym: Patient (Y1)	 I was impatient waiting for my turn. She felt impatient in the long queue. He was impatient and shouted, "Hurry up!" 	I waited quietly with a smile.
Mean	Being unkind or unfair to other people (on purpose)	Cold voiceNot sharingTeasing others	Antonym: Fair (Y1), Kind (Implied)	 She was mean and called me names. He was mean and didn't let me play. I was mean and hid someone's toy. 	I helped her and said something nice.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 4)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Miserable	Feeling very unhappy or uncomfortable	Downcast eyesQuiet voiceSlow steps	Synonym: Sad (Reception), Heartbroken (Y2); Grumpy Y3) Antonym: Happy (Reception); Cheerful (Y2)	 I felt miserable when my trip was cancelled. He looked miserable at break time. She was miserable when it rained all day. 	I skipped outside happily.
Panicked	Feeling very nervous, worried or scared Feeling scared and rushing without thinking	Fast breathingWide eyesRunning around	Synonym: Scared (Reception), Antonym: Calm (Reception); Relaxed (Y3)	 I panicked when I lost my bag. She panicked during the fire drill. He panicked when he forgot his lines. 	I stayed calm and remembered what to do.
Puzzled	Feeling confused and unable to work out what is going on	Tilting headFurrowed browLooking again and again	Synonym: Confused (Y1), Muddled (Y3)	 I was puzzled by the clues. He looked puzzled at the riddle. She was puzzled when the sum didn't work. 	I knew the answer right away.
Regretful	Feeling very sorry about something that happened (or you did)	•	Synonym: Apologetic (Y2), Sorry (Reception)	 I was regretful after I shouted. She felt regretful when she lost her toy. He was regretful about not sharing. 	I didn't care and walked away.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 4)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
	Understanding how someone else feels and comforting them	NoddingSoft voiceGiving a hug	Antonym: Selfish (Y2)	 I felt sympathetic when he was hurt. She was sympathetic when I was sad. He gave a sympathetic smile. 	I ignored him and walked away.
Tense	Feeling unable to relax	Tight shouldersShort breathsNo smile	Synonym: Worried (Y1) Antonym: Relaxed (Y3), Calm (Reception)	 I felt tense before the test. She was tense when the teacher called her. He looked tense when playing the game. 	I was laughing and lying back.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 5)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Disgusted	When you think something is really gross (unpleasant)	Wrinkled noseTurned headSaying "yuck!"	_	 I felt disgusted by the smell. She was disgusted when she saw the mess. He looked disgusted at the sight of the mouldy food. 	I said, "That looks tasty!" and ate it.
Distressed	Feeling extreme worry or sadness	CryingTight chestFast breathing	Synonym: Upset (Reception); Sad (Reception); Heartbroken (Y2); Nervous (Y2)	 I was distressed when I lost my dog. She felt distressed about her missing book. He was distressed when he got lost. 	I smiled and said, "It's fine."
Forgiving	Being able to let go of anger Letting go of being upset with someone	Soft voiceWarm heartSaying "That's okay"	Antonym: Mean (Y4), Selfish (Y2)	 I was forgiving when my friend said sorry. She was forgiving after the accident. He felt forgiving when they made up. 	I stayed angry and didn't talk to them.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 5)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Fuming	Feeling lots of anger building up inside	Red faceClenched fistsShouting or stomping	Synonym: Angry (Reception), Cross (Y1); Frustrated (Y1); Aggressive (Y4)	 I was fuming when someone broke my model. She was fuming and shouted loudly. He looked fuming when he didn't get picked. 	I stayed calm and just watched.
	Feeling like all you attention is totally held by one thing	Wide eyesStill bodyQuiet voice	Synonym: Surprised (Y3)	 I was mesmerised by the fireworks. He was mesmerised by the magician. She looked mesmerised by the dancers. 	I was bored and looked away.
Mischievous	Feeling like you want to cause some playful trouble	Sneaky smileQuiet giggleHiding hands	Synonym: Cheeky (Y4)	 He was mischievous and hid my shoes. She was mischievous during tidy-up. I was mischievous and swapped the name tags. 	I sat still and followed all the rules.
	Feeling a strong love or enthusiasm for something	Loud voiceWaving handsStanding tall	Antonym: Uninterested (Implied)	 I was passionate about saving animals. She spoke passionately about her project. He felt passionate about art. 	I didn't really care and said nothing.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 5)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Relieved	No longer feeling stressed or worried	Big breath outSoft smileShoulders drop	Antonym: Worried (Y1), Distressed (Y5)	 I was relieved when I found my bag. She felt relieved after the test. He looked relieved when it was over. 	I was still tense and biting my nails.
Threatened	Feeling scared or intimidated by something	 Looking over shoulder Tense shoulders Backing away 	Synonym: Scared (Reception); Panicked (Y4)	 I felt threatened by the loud voices. He felt threatened by the big dog. She looked threatened when the group shouted. 	I felt safe and joined in.
Timid	Feeling shy or fearful (especially in new places)	Small voiceStill bodyHiding behind someone	Synonym: Shy (Y3); Nervous (Y2)	 I felt timid on my first day. He looked timid at the party. She was timid during the game. 	I stood up and led the group.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 6)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Blissful	Feeling completely happy in every way	SmilingRelaxed bodyQuiet sigh	Synonym: Calm (Reception), Happy (Reception)	 I felt blissful lying in the sun. She was blissful on the last day of school. He felt blissful during the quiet walk. 	I was angry and couldn't stop fidgeting.
Elated	Feeling so happy you could almost fly Feeling very, very happy and proud	 Jumping Smiling Fast talking	Synonym: Proud (Reception), Excited (Reception)	 I was elated when I got my results. He was elated after winning. She felt elated when she was chosen. 	I felt sad and sat down quietly.
Euphoric	Feeling extreme happiness and joy	Heart racingSmilingFull of energy	Synonym: Happy (Reception), Elated (Y6)	 I felt euphoric on the rollercoaster. She was euphoric when the show began. He was euphoric after scoring the goal. 	I looked bored and yawned.
Mortified	Feeling very embarrassed (or ashamed)	Red faceLooking downWanting to hide	Synonym: Embarrassed (Y1)	 I was mortified when I fell on stage. She was mortified by the mistake. He looked mortified after the loud noise. 	I laughed and waved to the crowd.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 6)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Optimistic	Feeling positive, like good things will happen	SmilingBright eyesStanding tall	Antonym: Worried (Y1)	 I felt optimistic about our trip. She stayed optimistic during the test. He was optimistic that the rain would stop. 	I said, "It's going to go wrong," and frowned.
Overwhelmed	Feeling like there is too much going on all at once	Head in handsFast breathingTears	Synonym: Distressed (Y5), Tense (Y4)	 I felt overwhelmed with homework. She looked overwhelmed in the crowd. He felt overwhelmed with all the noise. 	I smiled and stayed calm through it all.
Pensive	Thinking deeply about things	Still bodySoft faceLooking into space	_	 I was pensive during the assembly. He felt pensive about his choices. She was pensive while looking at the sky. 	I jumped up and ran about.
Sincere	Show your true (real) feelings	Steady eyesSoft voiceCalm body	Antonym: Dishonest (Implied), Mean (Y4)	 I gave a sincere apology. He sounded sincere when he said thank you. She gave a sincere compliment. 	I said sorry but didn't mean it.

Pirton Hill Primary School: Emotion Curriculum Overview (Year 6)

Emotion	Definition	How to recognise the emotion	Related Emotions	Examples	Non-Example
Smug	Feeling pleased with yourself maybe a little too pleased with yourself	Raised eyebrowsTilted headHalf-smile	Antonym: Modest (Implied), Embarrassed (Y1)	 I felt smug after finishing first. She looked smug when praised. He sounded smug about his score. 	I blushed and said, "I was lucky."
Whimsical	Feeling playful, silly and imaginative (and a little bit dreamy)	SpinningSmilingTalking with imagination	Synonym: Cheerful (Y2), Enthusiastic (Y3)	 I was whimsical in our make-believe game. He wrote a whimsical story about a flying frog. She wore a whimsical hat to school. 	I said, "That's silly," and walked away.