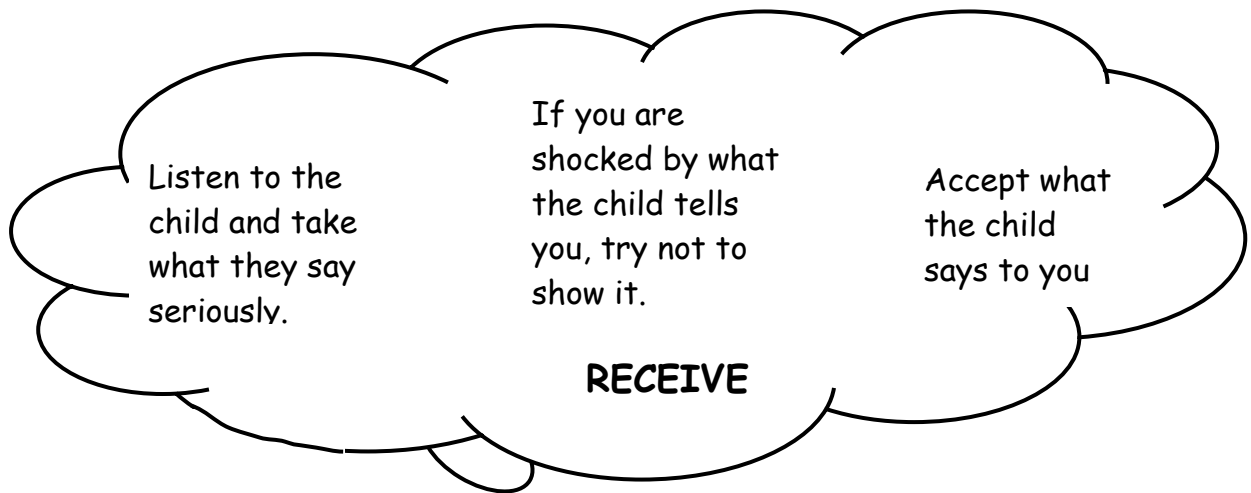
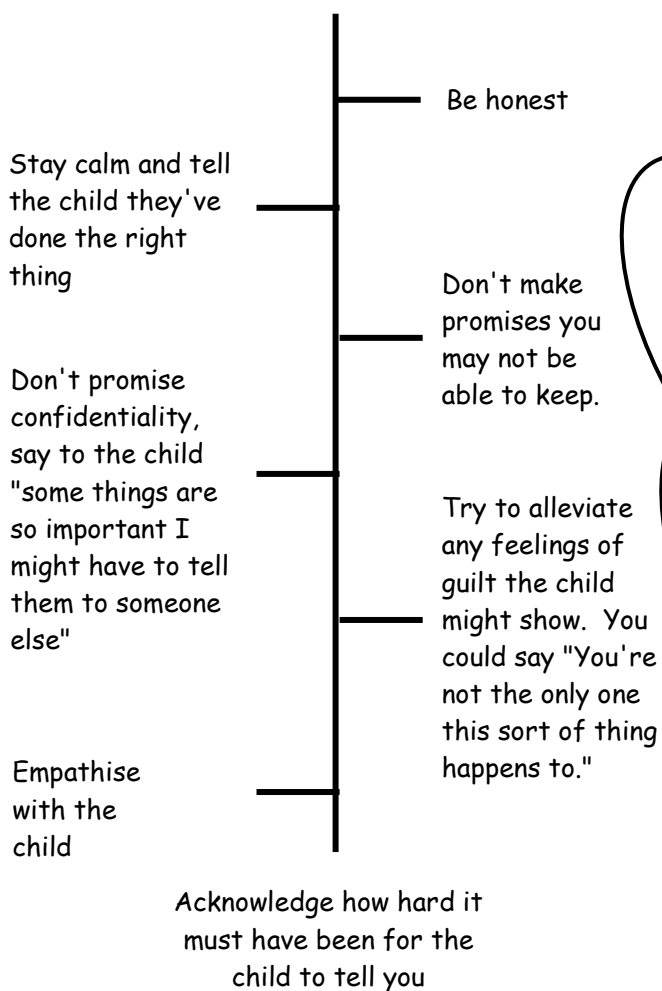


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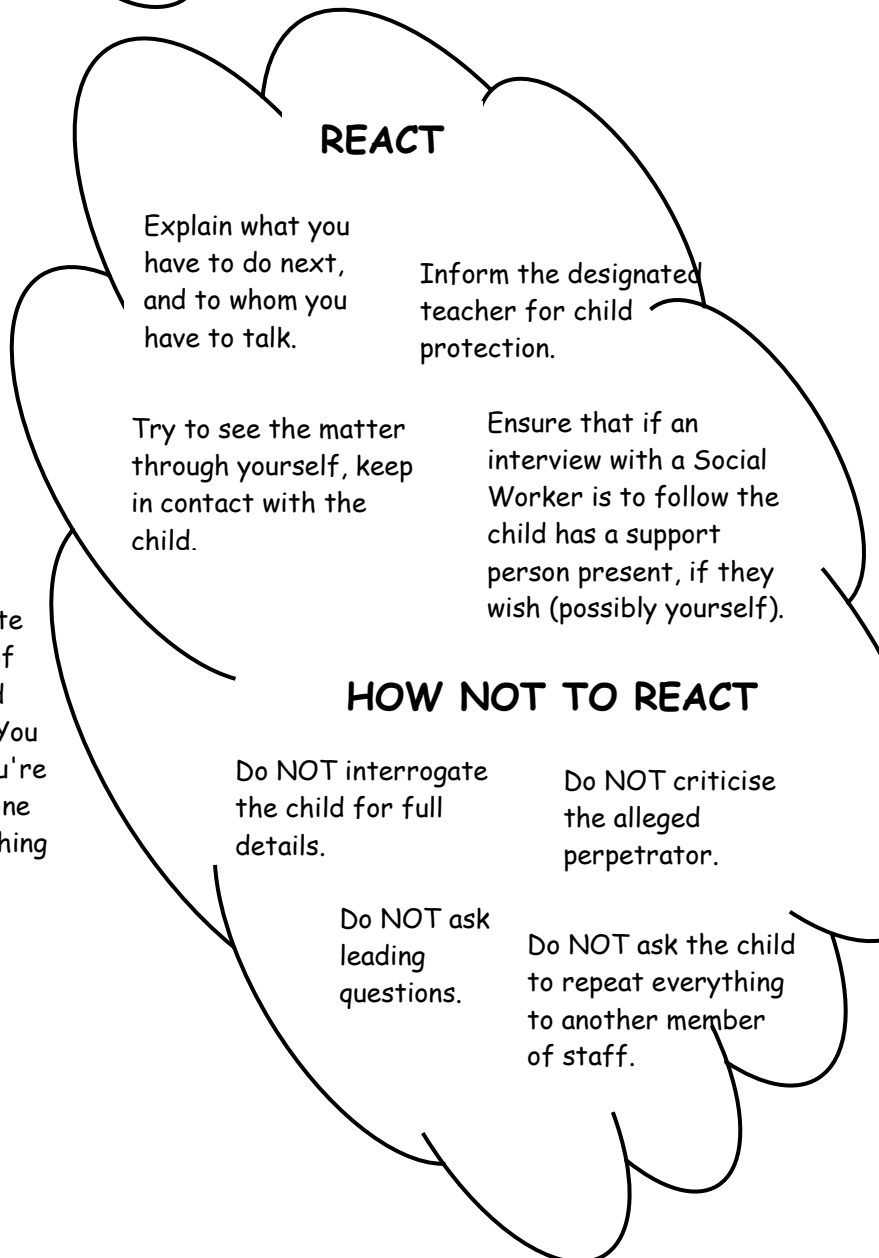
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### RE-ASSURE



### REACT



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### RECORD



- Make some brief notes at the time and write them up immediately.
- Do not destroy your original notes, in case a court requires them.
- Draw a diagram to indicate position of any bruising.
- Do NOT give your interpretations or assumptions.
- Record the date, time, place, any non-verbal behaviour and EXACT words used by the child, especially sexual words.

### SUPPORT

Continue to support the child, provide time and a safe space throughout the investigation, and afterwards.

Get some support yourself, without disclosing confidential information about the child. Receiving a disclosure can be an emotionally challenging experience.