



## **TOOL // Conflict Resolution Strategy and Observation Form**

### **What is the tool?**

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### **What is it used for?**

This strategy was adapted from a book by Alyson Schafer called, “Honey I Wrecked the Kids.” The strategy and recording form allows the students to take responsibility for solving conflicts and allows the teacher to record key observations regarding the childrens’ ability to do so.

### **How do you use it?**

At the first of the year the teacher introduces and models the strategy. The children are shown a large plastic bug and a wand. The teacher explains that if their bodies or feelings have been hurt they need to talk to he/she to help them solve it. However, in other cases they need to learn to solve their problems on their own. The teacher explains when they have a problem with another student they are to take the wand and the bug to the hall. Each one is to take a turn holding the bug and the wand and explain to the other child “What thing *bugs*, them?” and “What they wish would happen?” The teacher monitors and uses the recording form to track the date, the students involved, the problem, the solution and any comments. This way the teacher can identify if the students require further instruction in conflict resolution strategies as well as their ability to understand their role in a conflict.

### Conflict Resolution Recording Sheet

Date	Student	Problem	Solution	Notes