

# **Printable Checklist:**

Calming Phrases That Actually Work

#### Phrases to Soothe and Validate:

- You're safe. I'm right here.
- That was a big feeling.
- It's okay to feel upset.
- I hear you.
- Let's get through this together.
- That looked really hard.
- I believe you're doing your best.

## Phrases to Help Regulate (Not Escalate):

- Let's take a breath together.
- Can you show me with your hands?
- Want to squeeze something or stomp it out?
- Do you want a hug or some space?
- Let's count to 5 slowly.

### Phrases for After the Storm:

- What helped you feel better?
- Next time, what could we try?
- I'm proud of you for getting through that.
- Feelings come and go. You got this.



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