WHAT TO DO IF CHILDREN STARTS TO CRY?

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As a teacher during these pandemic times, it is natural that all people might feel a little bit awkward especially the little ones who are feeling helpless and are feeling super sad as they are sandwiched in between what they can do and cannot do especially if they want to learn and miss all the fun they had during face to face days. These feelings which they are feeling must be understood. These are some of the few tips, which as a teacher might be a good start for the rapport zone of the students and the teachers:

1. Never yell to your student. Try to talk with them calmly using varieties of online platforms, tell them and assure them that what they are feeling is normal, even adults feel that way sometimes.

2. When talking to the children, and they started crying, let them cry for some time but ask them how they are feeling after the cry, comfort them with the things that they want and need to hear. Most importantly, never lie to them and say things that are complicated, information must not be given to them all at once. Remember, children need to process all these things and they are still on their childhood days, so it is crucial that they might remember their childhood days as days of the “doomed ones”.

3. When talking to them make sure that their parents are with them or their guardians so they can follow up and maintain whatever the teacher is trying to help with. Remember that these children are staying at home and few are done with the teachers during online classes, so making sure that children are with the guardians may help both the guardians and the child understand what the little one is up to and feel.

4. Do this in a separate time, aside from the online class, that a teacher has, tutorial and so, a separate time for the child who wants to cry and is a bit sad, lonely and unhappy.
This may assist the teacher in getting not just the quality of learning but building a wholesome child and adult in the future.

As a second parent to the child, make the student wholesome and aspire for every positive thing to happen for the child.

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