

CONNECT TO THE CLASSROOM

Express Warmth & Affection

During the infant 1 video, the teacher is spending quiet time expressing warmth and affection with two babies. Teachers can show this in many ways. The teacher in the video displays warmth and affection by:

- Rubbing the baby's head
- Rocking infant seat
- Gazing at baby
- Warmly patting the baby's back

Practice applying ways to express the key strategies demonstrated in this interaction on your own:

- Use a gentle tone of voice
- Show a positive facial expression
- Gently touch the baby's head or back

When you are finished, reflect on the following questions:

1

What did you do to express warmth and affection?

2

How did you change your voice?
What did the baby do?

3

What was challenging? What were roadblocks to expressing warmth and affection toward the child?

4

What could you have done differently to express warmth and affection?

