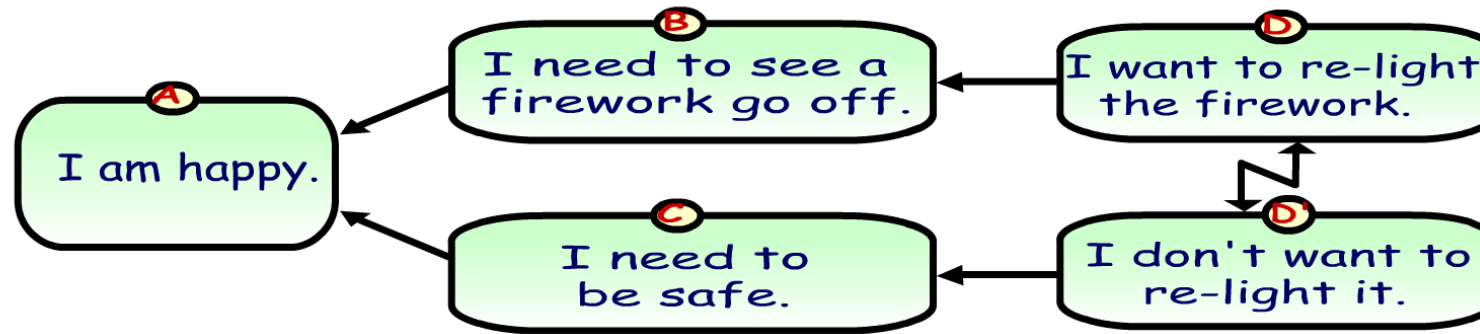


## *GUY FAWKES NIGHT*

In November, England has a traditional Fireworks Celebration, "Guy Fawkes Night." Many families hold fireworks displays in their gardens (yards). We always do a short fireworks safety program and this year I decided to use the cloud to get the message across. I got the whole school together and we did the cloud on this problem: We have lit a firework but it has not gone off. I want to go and re-light it. My friend says no.



The discussions raged wide as all viewpoints were considered. During this time, I managed to raise all the safety points I needed to AND the children felt they had been involved instead of me just telling them what to do.

Eventual conclusion was to get another firework and tell an adult. Not complex, but the children owned the solution. The audience consisted of 180 five-seven year olds and the whole thing took 15 minutes. The children are experienced in doing clouds and involvement was total, especially when I asked what could happen if we did try to re-light the firework!