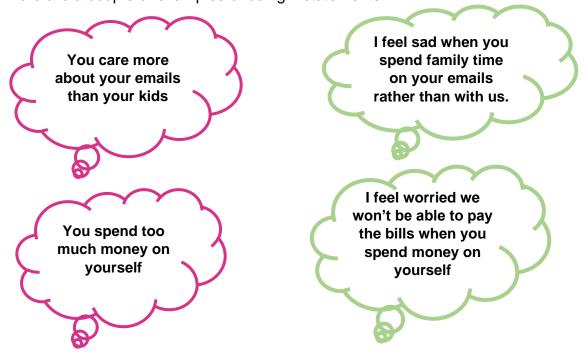
## **Activity 3**

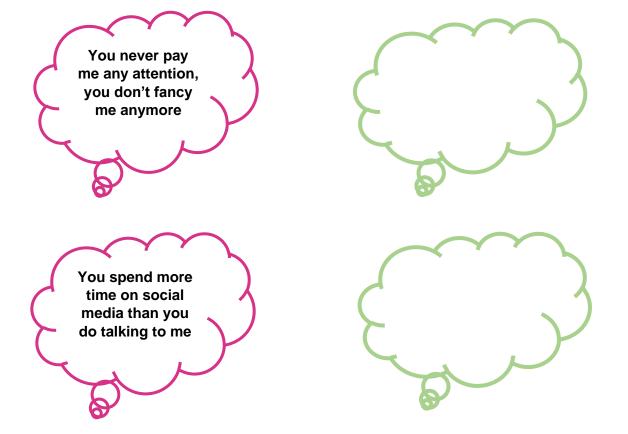
This activity helps to change the words we use to reduced conflict and make sure we explain how we feel and what better looks like.

'I statements' are important when communicating with someone. It tells the other person how you feel and why that is without accusing them of things. Making accusations can cause people to feel defensive, angry or frustrated.

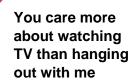
Here are a couple of examples of using 'I statements':



Now have a go in turning the other comments into 'I statements'. Think about how you could change the way you communicate with your partner or co-parent.



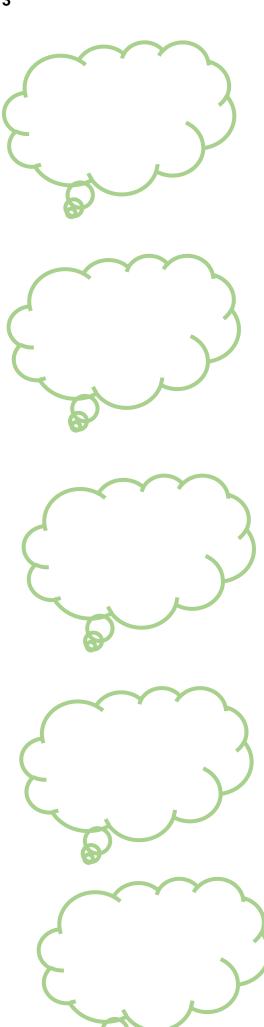




with me

You are so untrustworthy with our money

You are so unreliable, always late and forgetting stuff





You don't care what I want from life

You don't back me up when I'm trying to discipline the kids

You back your family up before you back me up

You always want to be the fun parent and never tell them off









## **Activity 3**



You stay at work late so you don't have to help me out at home

