

## Sorting Things Out

When you confess to the priest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, he will try to help you sort out those wrong choices that are sinful from simple accidents or mistakes. He will also give you some good advice about making better choices. Printed below is half of an imaginary conversation. Read these words, and then write what you think the priest would say to help this person.

I forgot to put away my toys, and Mom had to remind me. I still didn't do it because there was a good show on TV...

It's okay to make mistakes, and you made a mistake when you forgot to clean up. But it was wrong to \_\_\_\_\_

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Next time you should \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Family Note:** Your child is learning to feel comfortable confessing her or his sins to the priest. If your child completes this activity page at home, be positive about his or her efforts and about the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Catechist Note:** Use this activity page with Chapter 6, "Celebration God's Love. You might have partners "act out" the dialogue from this page. This can be a good way to "practice" confession, without violating the child's privacy.