

## Language Prompts When You Want to Say “Be Careful”

### When Kids Interacting with Each Other:

“Ask them if they are okay.”

“Ask him if he’s still having fun.”

“Did you like that? Make sure you tell her if you did not like that.”

“Check in with each other. Make sure everyone is still having a good time.”

“Sticks need space. Mike, please back up from Sarah. They are holding a big stick.”

“Sticks need space. Sarah, look around you. Do you have enough space to swing that stick?”

### When Kids Interacting with Nature

“Stay focused on what you are doing.”

“What is your next move?”

“Do you feel safe here?”

“Take your time.”

“Does that branch feel strong and reliable?”

“I’m here if you need me.”

“If you need to run, meet me at the 4<sup>th</sup> tree ahead.”

“Please find a safe spot for your stick while you’re running.”

“I’ve noticed that this is a really busy area. What are some of the things we need to watch out for with so many kids around?” (and give some examples). Or, “Let’s move this to a lower traffic zone.”

“Do you feel stable/balanced?”

“Do you need more space?”

“I’ve noticed a lot of fallen trees and sticks to trip on here.”

“Should we move this game to a more open area?”

“What’s your plan with that big stick?”

“Rocks need space.”

“Find more space.”

“Before you throw that rock, what do you need to look for?”

“That rock looks really heavy! Can you manage it?”