

### Children & Young People

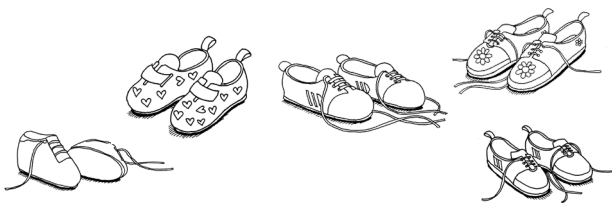
‘Children and young people do not have the same access to power, resources and safety as adults. Children and young people are not merely ‘witnesses’ to family violence and other forms of coercion, exploitation and abuse in their lives. They are directly impacted by the threats and harm used against them and the people and things they care for and care about.

They anticipate, resist and respond to the violence and abuse used against them and against others. For example, many children and young people are effortfully protecting siblings, other adults, including adults they rely on. They may be having to protect themselves from other family members who perpetrate abuse or respond in unhelpful or harmful ways.

Children and young people notice how violence and abuse is talked about and responded to in society, services and systems. Many are silent about or silenced by violence and abuse. They may be having to adjust their friendships and relationships to other children, peers and adults for safety, to avoid further humiliation and harm.

Violence and abuse costs children and young people deeply and they may also hold many other concerns at the same time. Their experiences and what matters to them must be taken seriously.’

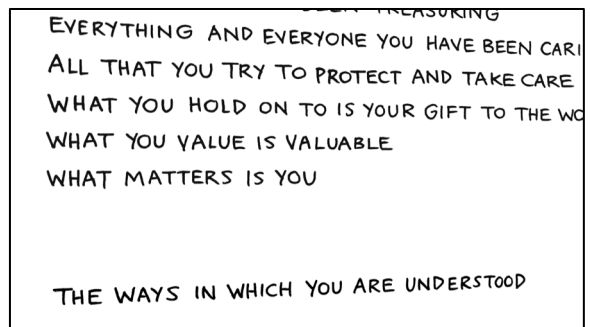
[Excerpt – Any Responder Module]



### An imperfect letter (new animations)



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‘An imperfect letter’ is to every child and is something you can freely share forward – we may never know what the letter might mean to one child or many children - now and over time.

