

Message Choices  
(with suggested text structures from published lessons)

to tell them a memory (memory reflection 42m)  
to say thank you for something they did (no thank you 5m)  
to say thank you for something they said (no thank you 5m)  
to disagree with something they said (my response to a disagreement 34p)  
to ask why they did (or said) something (what I/you did that caused this feeling 29p)  
to offer them something (what I give to you 3p)  
to resolve a conflict (we're both wrong, we're both right 21m)  
to tell some news (big news! 6nr)  
to sell something (for sale 15nr)  
to buy something (going shopping 49nr)  
to declare your feelings (defining a feeling 28nr)  
to let them know you admire something about them (letter to an author 22m)  
to tell them you're concerned about a direction they are headed (wingman 38m)  
to talk about something they borrowed from you (I had a little pony 17nr)  
to make a toast at an important moment (at the moment of a milestone 20m)  
to rant about how bad something is (how bad is it 11m)  
to give them advice about their strong feeling (my advice about your strong feelings 40m)  
to help someone in pain (I feel your pain 45m)  
to say goodbye (bon voyage 44m/so you'll know me after I'm gone 50m)  
to explain something you said (what do I mean? well...39m)  
to teach someone how to do something (helping someone 22nr)  
to tell them how you've decided to solve a problem (problem-solution message 8m)  
to tell them a decision you've made that they're not going to like (controversial decision 19m)  
to yell at a whole group (reprimanding a group 12m)  
to share your sightseeing (sightseeing 16m/tour of an unfamiliar place 17m)  
to ask for help (S.O.S. 15m)  
to catch up with someone you haven't seen in a while (letter from home 10m)  
to explain to someone else what a mean person does (how bullying works 7m)  
to make peace (can't we just get along? 2m)  
to complain about something unfair (somebody broke a rule 50nr)  
to complain about something (how bad things are 11m)  
to retell the story about a fight (the fight 51nr)  
to tell what you like about someone (all about someone – a character analysis 34nr)  
to ask someone some questions (three questions 30nr)  
to tell someone they can't have your stuff (you can't have my things – a dialogue 45nr)  
to tell someone about your pet (what my pet might do 12nr)  
to tell someone about how you miss your pet that is gone (something I used to have 4nr)  
to wonder something (what if 18nr)

\*nr = Text Structures from Nursery Rhymes

\*m - Text Structures from the Masters

\*p = Text Structures from Poetry