Instead of saying 'good job' when kids try hard and still fail, you can say:

- 1. I see that you really want to get this right. What else can you try?
- 2. Ok, what are we missing? What's another strategy we can try?
 - 3. Who else might be able to help you solve this problem? Should we talk to _____ (i.e. the teacher, the coach, parent, etc.)
 - 4. You really want to figure this out. Is there another way we can look at this problem?
 - 5. You're really challenging yourself. Can you think of another way to do this?

