

10 Ways to be a Great Parent



1. **Be a good role model. Your child learns from the example you set.**
2. **Show respect for your child's feelings, thoughts, and suggestions.**
3. **Make your child feel loved with your words of praise, and your hugs and kisses.**
4. **Keep your word. If you must break it, apologize and make it up to your child.**
5. **Encourage your child's creativity. Ask questions to stimulate curiosity and imagination.**
6. **Build your child's self-esteem by showing appreciation for all genuine efforts.**
7. **Stay involved. Know what's going on in your child's life, both at school and with friends.**
8. **Discipline your child fairly, firmly, and with love. Focus on the behavior, not the child.**
9. **Establish family traditions and make time to do fun things together.**
10. **Think positively. By expecting the best, you empower yourself and your child to solve problems and achieve goals.**

Remember – Being a great parent takes time, effort and the ability to lighten up!