



Prevent Strategy

Clear Behavior Expectations



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Choose 3-5 appropriate behaviors that are important to your family, and practice doing these every day with your child!

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State behavior expectations positively!

For example:
Use listening ears.
Clean up your space.
Use kind words.

Review the expectations daily and provide examples and non-examples of the expected behaviors.

"Am I using kind words if I say, 'thank you'? What if I say, 'you stink'?"

Provide positive descriptive feedback often to increase the likelihood of that behavior!



Create a visual for each expected behavior. Post them around your home and refer to them often.

Model and practice the expectations with your child using consistent language.

When it's time to clean up, show your child the visual and put away one toy. Describe what you're doing. Then say, "Now it's your turn!"

For more information on preventing challenging behaviors, [click here](#).

