



Words to create confidence

Your child *naturally* wants to do well. When you act and speak in a positive and encouraging way, you help your child feel confident, ready to take risks, and solve problems. These are all important for school success!



Use words that encourage me in English or my home language.

Positive tools for parents

Encourage your child's efforts.

"I saw how hard you worked to zip up your coat."

Let your child know what to do.

"Please use a quiet voice in the library."

Focus your child's attention on a more appropriate choice when you want to redirect behavior.

"Do you want to kick the soccer ball to me?"

Give your child a role.

"Can you help me find the cereal we usually buy?"

Encourage the behaviors you want to see.

"Look at you! You remembered to wash your hands!"

