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Parenting Tips

Another Way to Teach Kids Honor

One of the ways that parents can teach honor to children is to include it in the instruction process. You might say, "I'd like you to obey me by setting the table, then I want you to think of something extra to do to surprise me. That's

showing honor. You choose; it's up to you. Report to me when you're done and I'll check your work."

Surprising parents delights them and focuses on something they want or need. Instructing children to surprise you by doing something extra teaches them to think about your needs and desires not just getting away with the bare minimum. When your child does an extra task, it's like giving you a gift. Receive the gift with delight. This can be a fun way to teach honor.

Honor involves doing more than what's expected. All family members need to learn honor and children can learn it when parents teach it. So look for ways to teach kids to do more than what's expected in daily life. It will not only make family life better now but it will also help kids be more successful as they get older.

This parenting tip comes from the book [Say Goodbye to Whining, Complaining, and Bad Attitudes, In You and Your Kids](#), by Dr. Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller, RN, BSN.