

# Ways to Show Kids You Care



- **Notice them**
- **Smile a lot**
- Learn their names
- Listen to them
- Play with them
- **Hug them**
- Follow them when they lead
- **Suggest better behaviors when they act out**
- Be relaxed
- Find a common interest
- Tell them how terrific they are
- **GIVE THEM LOTS OF COMPLIMENTS**
- Meet their friends
- Meet their parents
- Let them tell you how they feel
- **Let them act their age**
- **SHARE A MEAL TOGETHER**
- Be sincere
- Go places together
- **Do what they like to do**
- Share secret
- **Talk openly with them**
- Accept them as they are
- **Build something together**
- **Be spontaneous**

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