

50 Ways to Show Kids You Care

1. Notice Them.
2. Smile a lot.
3. Learn their names.
4. Remember their birthdays.
5. Look in their eyes when you talk to them.
6. Listen to them.
7. Play with them.
8. Giggle together.
9. Be yourself.
10. Hug them.
11. Surprise them.
12. Share their excitement.
13. Notice when they're absent.
14. Laugh at their jokes.
15. Kneel, squat, or sit so you're at their eye level.
16. Tell them how terrific they are.
17. Show up at their concerts, games, and events.
18. Apologize when you've done something wrong.
19. Keep the promise you make.
20. Thank them.
21. Give them lots of compliments.
22. Ask for their opinion.
23. Have fun together.
24. Meet their friends.
25. Meet their parents.
26. Be excited when you see them.
27. Praise more; criticize less.
28. Enjoy your time together.
29. Be happy.
30. Ask them to help you.
31. Applaud their successes.
32. Believe in them.
33. Notice when they grow.
34. Wave and honk when you drive by them.
35. Give them good choices.

36. Be silly together.
37. Hang out together.
38. Trust them.
39. Share a secret.
40. Write a chalk message on their sidewalk.
41. Be available.
42. Do what they like to do.
43. Encourage them to think big.
44. Go places together.
45. Visit them when they're sick.
46. Be sincere.
47. Tell them what you expect of them
48. Introduce them new experiences.
49. Share a meal together.
50. Love them, no matter what.

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