

CHORES for Kids

WHEN kids ARE HELPING OUT AROUND THE HOUSE BY DOING CHORES, THEY ARE LEARNING RESPONSIBILITY, THEY ARE BECOMING MORE CONFIDENT AND INDEPENDENT AND THEY FEEL THAT THEY ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE FAMILY.

- **AGE APPROPRIATE CHORES for Kids** includes some basic chores that kids may be able to do at certain ages. All kids are different though and they will be ready for more advanced chores at different stages, so feel free to adjust them. For the 2-3 age group, you would probably choose 1 or 2 simple jobs that they could do daily and adjust the number of jobs for the age of the child.
- I have created a variety of **CHORE CHARTS** for you to use with your kids. These can be used on a weekly or monthly basis. To use weekly, they would put a sticker or a star in each box for a job completed. To use monthly, they would put a small sticker or a star in one box for all jobs completed.

ONE SET HAS A WAGES COLUMN if you want to let them earn some money. Some jobs are done just because you are part of the family, but I think that if you decide to pay them for certain jobs, you are teaching them a lot about how real life works. Letting them earn their wages and spend their own money will help them to understand the concept and develop a sense for handling money in a responsible way.

I quickly discovered that when my kids are earning their own money from jobs that they do around the house, they do not ask me for money:) They know that they have to spend their own money on toys or treats and when I say "OHHH, you don't have enough money for that," they understand that they can't get it or that they will have to save up for it!

***** Kids CHORE CHARTS** - These are available on my website. To download the kid's CHORE CHARTS and print them out, visit www.TheHouseholdPlanner.com and look for FREE PRINTABLES or type this address into your web browser:

<http://www.TheHouseholdPlanner.com/freeprintables.htm>

BE SURE TO THE SAVE THESE files TO YOUR COMPUTER!

AGE APPROPRIATE CHORES FOR Kids

2-3 YEARS

Help MAKE BEDS
Pick up TOYS & BOOKS
Pick up CLOTHES
TAKE LAUNDRY TO LAUNDRY ROOM

Help FEED PETS
Help SET THE TABLE
Help CLEAR THE TABLE
USE THE HANDHELD VACUUM

4-5 YEARS

All of THE ABOVE plus:
SET THE TABLE
CLEAR THE TABLE
Help PUT AWAY GROCERIES

MAKE THEIR BED
Help CLEAN THEIR BEDROOMS
Help UNLOAD DISHWASHER
EMPTY GARBAGE CANS

6-8 YEARS

All of THE ABOVE plus:
TAKE CARE OF PETS
TAKE OUT GARBAGE
VACUUM & SWEEP

CLEAN THEIR BEDROOM
SORT LAUNDRY
Fold & PUT AWAY LAUNDRY
UNLOAD DISHWASHER

9-12 YEARS

All of THE ABOVE plus:
LOAD DISHWASHER & WASH DISHES
Help WITH COOKING & MEAL PLANNING
MOP THE FLOOR
RUN WASHER & DRYER

CLEAN THE BATHROOM
WASH THE WINDOWS
WASH THE CAR
RAKE THE YARD
BABYSIT SIBLINGS

13-17 YEARS

All of THE ABOVE plus:
LAUNDRY
PREPARE MEALS
BABYSIT

CLEAN THE KITCHEN
CHANGE THE BEDDING
NEIGHBORHOOD JOBS
MOW THE LAWN
