



Prevent Strategy

Setting Clear Behavior Expectations



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Choose 3-5 appropriate behaviors your child can engage in without support.

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State behavior expectations positively. For example, say "use walking feet" instead of "no running."

Examples:
Keep your body calm;
Use listening ears;
Clean up your space

Review the expectations daily and provide examples and non-examples of the expected behaviors.

You're keeping your body calm while you play. I'm proud of you.

Provide positive descriptive feedback often to increase the likelihood of that behavior in the future.



Point to visual and say, "remember, we use walking feet inside to stay safe."

Create a visual for each expected behavior. Post them around your home and refer to them often.

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Model and practice the expectations with your child using consistent language.

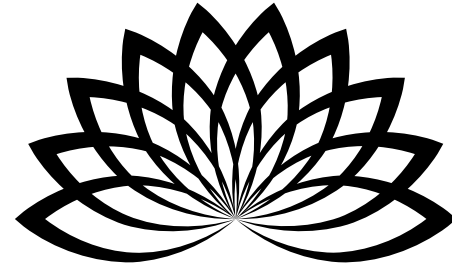
When it's time to clean up, show your child the visual and clean up one toy. Describe what you're doing. Then say, "it's your turn to clean up."

For more information on setting clear behavior expectations, [click here.](#)





Gentle hands



Calm body



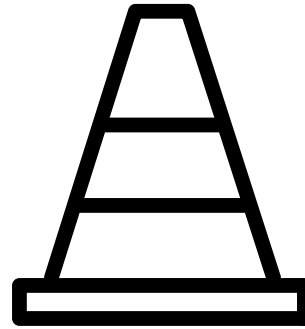
Walking feet



Listening ears



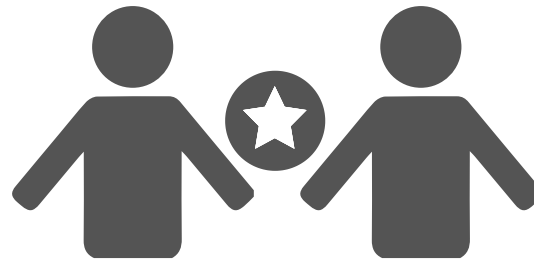
Quiet voice



Safe choices



Use kind words



Take turns

Use the boxes below to create your own visuals.
