



Part of the Family

Let's tidy up our home together!

Helps Your Child Grow



Sense of Identity and Belonging

Helping with a family task and receiving encouragement helps your child experience themselves as a valued member of the family.



Imitation and Symbolic Representation and Play

Watching and copying simple household actions gives your child practice observing and imitating what other people do.

Steps

- On Mother's Day, give Mom a "rest coupon" so she can relax while the rest of the family handles a few household tasks.
- Dad begins tidying. Mom and your child can cheer for him: "Dad made the window shine. Let's clap for him!" This shows that everyone can care for the home.
- Then Dad invites your child to join: "What would you like to help with?" Choose a simple task such as putting away shoes, toys, or books.
- After each task, name the contribution: "Thank you for putting the shoes away. The entryway looks so tidy."
- When the work is finished, celebrate together and enjoy the clean space.

Tips

- During a household task, focus less on whether your child does it perfectly and more on helping them feel needed: "Please put these shoes away to help make our home tidy."
- A real, manageable job beside you helps your child experience being a contributing member of the family.

Observations

- ☐ Joins a household task after Dad invites them
- ☐ Copies Dad and carries the trash to the door