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# Chores by age

What kids can usually handle, from toddlers to teens. Tick the ones your child already does, then pick one new chore to learn together.

## Ages 2–3

Short, one-step jobs done alongside you.

- [ ] Put toys back in the bin
- [ ] Put books back on the shelf
- [ ] Help feed a pet
- [ ] Put dirty clothes in the hamper
- [ ] Wipe up small spills
- [ ] Bring their plate to the counter

## Ages 4–5

Simple routines they can start to own.

- [ ] Make their bed
- [ ] Match socks from the laundry
- [ ] Sort the recycling
- [ ] Set and clear the table
- [ ] Water the plants
- [ ] Put away their clean clothes

## Ages 6–8

Real household help, with a quick check afterward.

- [ ] Fold and put away laundry
- [ ] Sweep the floor
- [ ] Feed pets on their own
- [ ] Unload the dishwasher
- [ ] Empty small trash cans
- [ ] Pack their school bag

## Ages 9–12

Whole jobs, start to finish.

- [ ] Load the dishwasher
- [ ] Take trash and recycling to the curb
- [ ] Make a simple breakfast or lunch
- [ ] Vacuum a room
- [ ] Clean the bathroom sink and mirror
- [ ] Rake leaves or pull weeds

## Ages 13+

Grown-up chores and helping run the house.

- [ ] Do their own laundry start to finish
- [ ] Clean a whole bathroom
- [ ] Make the grocery list and help shop
- [ ] Cook a simple family dinner
- [ ] Mow the lawn
- [ ] Watch younger siblings for a short time

Every child is different. Treat these as starting points, and do a chore together a few times before handing it over.

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# Our weekly chores

Week of _____

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## Points this week

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**Tip:** fill in “Next week” on Sunday night, so nobody argues about whose turn it is on Monday.

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