

Positive Connections for More Cooperation

A strong, positive relationship with your child is the basis of cooperation. You can build a positive connection with your child and keep it strong as they grow and develop by celebrating their efforts and progress. Try using the 10 steps everyday to build a positive relationship.

- 1. Notice child's feelings
- 2. Respond warmly
- 3. Be reliable
- 4. Keep age and stage in mind
- 5. Create and keep routines
- 6. Accept child as unique person
- 7. Allow child to experiment
- 8. Spend time having fun
- 9. Notice and manage your emotions and stress
- 10. Express gratitude



Key Takeaways:

- 1. Attachment = seen, safe, soothed, and secure
- 2. Notice how many of the 10 steps you already do regularly. Add others one at a time.
- 3. Track changes, celebrate successes, focus on progress not perfection, and remember that ups and downs will happen.
- 4. Find your support system, keep yourself accountable, and don't be afraid to ask for help.

