

It is important to provide approval to your child as soon as he or she follows an instruction or request. If you consistently show approval for follow-through, your child will be more likely to follow instructions or requests in the future.

What to Do

1. **Offer immediate praise.** As soon as you give an instruction or request and your child begins to comply, immediately praise the child, using phrases such as:

“I like it when you do as I ask.”
“It’s nice when you do as I say.”
“Thanks for doing what mum asked.”