

How to enlist *your* child labor...*today!*

(or how to get your kids started with chores)

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Can I get an *amen*?

Are you ready to teach your kids important life skills and lighten your housework load at the same time? Or have you tried again and again to enlist the support of your kids in chores, but found that your system always falls apart somehow? You've come to the right place.

You're about to learn some **practical tools to get your youngster consistently doing chores so that you can get your sanity back**. You'll also have a cleaner house with less work, while your child learns valuable life skills, but let's focus on YOU right now.

You are not alone! Most families struggle with organization and mess. Why is that? How do so many families arrive at this point of frustration, mess and unmotivated kids?

If you want to skip to the nitty gritty, move on to step 1. Read on if you want reassurance that...

You are not alone!

In the beginning of parenthood, the amount of baby paraphernalia is truly overwhelming, isn't it? And once your little one becomes mobile, the baby stuff migrates too, no matter how many cute little organized crates you have in the nursery. You drown in laundry. As the baby grows, it gets worse, and worse still if there are siblings. If you can walk through a room without stepping on a toy, it's a miracle.

Once the kids go to school, there are additional problems of paperwork, homework and projects. As they grow into teens, the mess compounds and the stereotypical teenage lackadaisical attitude doesn't help the situation.

How did it get this bad? Was it always this bad?

Wherever you are on this path, I bet we can agree on one thing: **it's hard (almost impossible!) to have a child, a clean house, and your sanity all at the same time.**

Think about what your goals are for your home. Less fighting? Cleaner home? More participation from the kids? All of those can be accomplished by involving your kids in the chores of the home.

Keep it real! (Goals, that is)

Understand that mess is a normal part of life with kids. What you can have, though, is a **home that can bounce back from that normal mess** associated with kids and their stuff. So consider adopting the goal of the **Three M's: a mostly clean, mostly tidy home, most of the time**. The only way to do

this without losing your sanity is to enlist help from the family. Even very young children can learn to do “chores.” Chores instill an ethic of taking care of his or her belongings, and also an ethic of contributing to the household.

So if your goal is a perfectly clean house, hire a maid. If **your goal is kid involvement, family collaboration, teaching your kids life skills, and a peaceful family life**, read on to learn how to get your kids on board with family chores.

So start with the end in mind and ask yourself these questions:

- How do you want your home to look?
- How do you want to spend your time?

If you're like most people, you want:

- a house you can be proud of
- time to spend with the people who are important to you

All these goals can be achieved by encouraging household chore participation from everyone in the family. But how? You need to know the pitfalls and you need to know what tools can help you succeed. You need to know how to approach your family to get them to hear your frustration and contribute to the household. This ebook will give you all of that, plus printable checklists for you to start using today. Ready?