



Parents Can Make a Homework Difference!!

Homework tips for family member:

- Agree with your student on homework rules - when it must be done, when it should be done and what will happen if homework is not done. Many insist that homework be finished before TV can be watched.
- Seek out the homework policy and expectations of your student's teacher(s). Learn what is expected in homework load, and if homework is graded on a regular basis. Make sure you have contact information for your student's teacher(s) in case you need clarification to "We don't have any homework again."
- Set up a place for your student to do his or her homework, such as a desk, in his or her room, or a dining room or kitchen table. Be sure that there is good light and that distractions are limited. Have necessary supplies, including paper, pencils, and a dictionary available. Access to a computer may be needed as your student progresses to upper levels.
- Expect your student to do homework each night. Ask about homework and show that you think doing homework is an important responsibility.
- Try to schedule homework time for when you are at home, so that you can supervise and help your student. If this is not possible, be sure to check on the homework each morning before your student goes to school. Ask your student to make a note of any problems that will require your assistance or the assistance of his or her classroom teacher.
- Be sure that your student understands all homework assignments. If your student has trouble with an assignment, work on example - not the actual problem - to help.
- Don't do your student's homework for him or her. Instead work with your student and encourage him or her to complete the work alone.

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