# Parenting Dos and Don'ts

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[Perspective] Respect and take perspectives of children

- Do:
  - Taking the perspectives of the children to understand and respect their behaviors, decisions, and ways of thinking
- Don't:
  - Not trying to understand the underlying cause of children's behaviors, but judging children's actions and decisions using pre-existing assumptions
  - Making decisions "for children's own good" but not respecting their own opinions or decisions

[Communication] Provide a safe environment for effective communication with children

- Do:
  - Creating a safe, equal, and respectful environment for parental-child interaction,
    where children feel respected, understood, and accepted
  - Having candid and calm conversations, resolving conflicts with children
  - Being an active listener, being patient, and respectful in conversations
  - Expressing love, trust, and support without spoiling children
  - Collaborating with the partner about your ways to educate and talk with your children, monitoring each other during parental-child communications to correct other's mistake in time
- Don't:
  - o Ignoring ideas that children expressed
  - Overly or blindly blaming or commanding children
  - Confirm your partner's mistake in parental-child communications
    - E.g., let your partner continue to say things that hurt the child without stopping them and apologizing to the kid
  - Leave the job of parental-child communication to your partner alone

[Observation] Monitor children's abnormal behaviors and mental well-being

- Do:
  - Keenly observing children's abnormal behaviors and monitoring their mental health using clues from expressions or tones
- Don't:
  - Neglecting the abnormal behaviors of children, stressing and pushing children regardless of their mental states

## [Guidance] Provide appropriate help and situational feedback to children

- o Do:
  - Providing scaffolded and actionable guidance to help children solve their problems, control emotions, and etc.
  - Give detailed, actionable feedback to children while preserving an intimate relationship
- o Don't:
  - Demanding actions or forcing children to reach a certain goal without giving enough, clear, or suitable scaffolding for children

## 家长手册

#### 【理解】站在孩子的角度换位思考

- - 站在孩子的角度, 理解他们的想法、行为与决定, 尊重孩子的意见
- 您不应当:
  - 主观判断孩子的行为动机,经验主义地预设原因,而不去不尝试理解孩子行为背后 的原因
  - 武断地"为了孩子好",不让孩子参与到决定过程中

#### 【交流】在亲子交流中构建平等的沟通环境

- 您应当:
  - 为亲子交流构建平等的沟通环境,让孩子感受到被尊重、理解与接纳
  - 与孩子进行诚恳、冷静的对话,解决亲子矛盾
  - 认真、耐心地倾听孩子的声音,让孩子能够畅所欲言,并尊重孩子的想法
  - 充分表达对孩子的信任与支持,但不溺爱孩子
  - 与伴侣交流针对孩子的教育与沟通策略,在亲子沟通中紧密合作、互相监督 ,若伴侣的言行伤害到了孩子 , 及时制止并纠正
- 您不应当:
  - 无视孩子的想法,自说自话
  - 一味地指责、命令或质疑孩子
  - 放任或间接肯定伴侣对孩子的怀疑
  - 把亲子交流的任务甩给伴侣完成

#### 【观察】关注孩子的行为异常与心理健康

- 您应当:
  - 在日常生活中敏锐地观察、关注孩子的身体健康与行为异常,从言行、语气中推断、理解孩子的心情
- 您不应当:
  - 无视孩子的异常行为,无视孩子的心理健康、持续给孩子施加压力

### 【帮助】为孩子提供适当的帮助与反馈

- 您应当:
  - 为孩子提供切实可行的帮助,帮助他们解决问题、管理情绪
  - 为孩子提供详细、可行的建议与反馈,保持良好的亲子关系
- 您不应当:
  - 一味命令或强行要求孩子达到目标,却未能提供足够清晰或合适的帮助