



Ways to Show Respect

1 year—2 years

Objective: The child will learn the value of respect and build social skills through pretend play with baby dolls.

Materials needed:

Baby dolls and/or Stuffed animals

Procedures

1. Sit in an open area free of any toys or distractions for your child. Sit where there is an open wall.
2. Begin by sitting all of the baby dolls and/or stuffed animals up against the wall facing you and your child.
3. Hold your child in your lap while sitting.
4. Start talking to your child, about the concept of nice. Use the baby dolls to demonstrate these concepts as mentioned on the next page. Then, show these ways of being nice directly to your child. (Ways to show respect to others: Hugging, kisses, hand shakes, nice words, pat on the back, high fives, listening, & eye contact)



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6. Such as phrases you can show and say to your child:

"Can you give the baby a hug?"

"We have to be so careful and nice to the baby."

"Can you give the baby a kiss?"

"Nice. Be gentle. We have to take care of & help our friends. This is our friend."

7. This kind of phrasing as they are interacting with the dolls will help build social skills and respect to real-life beings as they get older.

8. Model to your child what it is you want them to do. Pick up a doll, hug it, kiss it, rock it like a baby, and use phrases as stated above to teach and tell your child what you are doing.

Milestones to meet:

The child makes awareness how to "act" and treat the dolls. The child learns the concept of "nice."

Evaluation:

Did this lesson work for your child? Why or why not?