

10 Strategies to Motivate Your Child for Learning

1. Develop an atmosphere of reading

Let children pick their own books to read, help them read, and create activities for them that make reading fun.

2. Put your child in the driver's seat as much as possible

The more control and input you're able to provide a child, with respect to their learning environment, activities, and style, the more engaged and motivated a child will become to learn.

3. Encourage open and sincere communication

Good learners know their opinion matters and feel reassured that they can be open about their educational experience without being judged, put down, discouraged or ignored.

4. Focus on your child's interests

When learning engages children in areas and subjects of interest, learning becomes fun and children engage in learning. If you really want to help your child to become a good learner, encourage him to explore topics and subjects that fascinate him.

5. Introduce and encourage different types of learning styles

Every child has learning preferences and styles that are best suited to their way of learning. Some children have a dominant [learning style](#), while others prefer to learn using a mix of learning styles.

6. Share your enthusiasm for learning

Enthusiasm rubs off, especially when it comes to learning new things. If your child or student sees that you're sincerely enthusiastic about learning, they're likely to become enthusiastic about learning.

7. Make learning fun through game-based learning

Game-based learning is a great way for parents and teachers to introduce new ideas, grammar, concepts, and knowledge in a way that motivates children to learn.

8. Focus on what he's learning, not his performance

Instead of asking your child how he did on his math test as soon as he gets home from school, have him teach you what he learned in math today. Focus on what your child is learning, as opposed to how he is performing.

9. Help your child stay organized

Helping your child organize his papers, books and assignments will go a long way to helping him feel motivated to learn. Disorganization is typical among young school age children, but it can also lead to a feeling of being overwhelmed.

10. Recognize and celebrate achievements

No matter how small they may be, it's important to recognize and celebrate your child's achievements. Always use positive reinforcement as your tool to motivate learning with your child.

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