



Household Chores for Every Age



Teaching kids how to do household chores is a meaningful part of growing up. They teach practical life and academic skills, as well as foster a sense of responsibility and community. Use this checklist for age-appropriate chores to do with your family.

2 to 3

- Pick up toys
- Put dirty clothes in the hamper
- Hang-up jacket and put away shoes
- Help sort clean laundry (e.g. find all the socks!)
- Dust window sills
- Help wipe-up spills

4 to 5

- Make the bed
- Set and clear table
- Put away clean silverware
- Put clothes in the washing machine
- Fold towels and socks
- Feed pets and water plants

6 to 8

- Keep bedroom organized
- Fold and put away laundry
- Assist with meal preparation
- Load and empty dishwasher
- Sweep and vacuum floors
- Take out garbage and recycling



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