

PARENTING THE PRESCHOOLER

It's Just a Phase: Week 2

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*"Teach children how they should live, and they will remember it all their lives."
(Proverbs 22:6, GNB)*

You have approximately 260 weeks with your child before 1st Grade!

7 THINGS MY PRESCHOOLER NEEDS

1. MY CHILDREN NEED LOVE.

"Let love be your highest goal!" (1 Corinthians 14:1a, NLT)

Two Ways to Express Love to My Child

- Children spell love T-I-M-E.
- Love PROTECTS.
"...I will protect you, just as parents protect an obedient child." (Malachi 3:17, CEV)

2. MY CHILDREN NEED STORIES.

"He taught them by telling many stories..." (Mark 4:2, NLT)

3. MY CHILDREN NEED WORK.

"I brought glory to you here on earth by completing the work you gave me to do." (John 17:4, NLT)

"We also gave you the rule that if you don't work, you don't eat." (2 Thessalonians 3:10, CEV)

"I can do it!" -> "WE can do it!"

4. MY CHILDREN NEED FUN.

*"And now the LORD says: I am returning to Mount Zion, and I will live in Jerusalem...Once again old men and women will walk Jerusalem's streets with their canes and will sit together in the city squares. And the streets of the city will be filled with boys and girls at play."
(Zechariah 8:3-5, NLT)*

What Games teach your children:

- RULES.
- Structure.
- Competition.
- ACHIEVEMENT.

5. MY CHILDREN NEED DISCIPLINE.

“God is educating you...He’s treating you as dear children. This trouble you’re in isn’t punishment; it’s training,” (Hebrews 12:7, The Message)

Biblical discipline focuses on:

- Building character.
- Comprehending CONSEQUENCES.
- Teaching right from wrong.
- Communicating VALUE.

6. MY CHILDREN NEED PEOPLE.

“Above all else, guard your affections. For they influence everything else in your life.” (Proverbs 4:23, The Living Bible)

“Do not be misled: “Bad company corrupts good character.”” (1 Corinthians 15:33, NIV)

7. MY CHILDREN NEED WORDS.

“The tongue has the power of life and death...” (Proverbs 18:21a, NIV84)

“Gentle words are a tree of life...” (Proverbs 15:4a, NLT)

The most powerful way to embed positive words into my child’s heart: “Let’s SING!”

ACTION STEPS

- Listen to the PCL Podcast
- Parent Cue app
- Parenting SG curriculum