Age-Appropriate Chores for Kids

Ages 2 and 3

- O Pick up and put away toys
- O Take dirty clothes to the laundry basket
- O Put away clothes
- O Fill pet's bowl with water and food
- O Help clean up spills
- O Dust with rag

Ages 4 and 5

- O All previous chores
- O Make the bed with minimal help
- O Take out recycling
- O Wipe counters
- O Water plants
- O Weed the garden
- O Wash dishes with supervision
- O Wipe bathroom sinks and counters

Ages 6 to 8

- O All previous chores
- O Fold and hang laundry
- O Sweep
- O Vacuum
- O Mop
- O Put away dishes from the dishwasher
- O Help with food preparation
- O Get the mail
- O Take out garbage

Ages 9 to II

- O All previous chores
- O Wash dishes
- O Wash family car with supervision
- O Make simple meals
- O Rake leaves
- O Learn to use the washer and dryer
- O Clean bathrooms

Ages 12 to 14

- O All previous chores
- O Clean out fridge and freezer
- O Make more advanced meals
- O Mow the lawn with supervision
- O Change the vacuum bag
- O Clean mirrors and windows



All chores should be done with appropriate supervision. Take into account your child's abilities and maturity level.