

# DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE PRACTICE

## 10 Effective Teaching Strategies

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### ACKNOWLEDGE

what children say or do. Let children know what you have noticed. Sit nearby and observe their actions and comment.



NAEYC recommends remaining flexible and observant, choosing the most effective strategy based on the situation and the individual child. And if one strategy doesn't work, try another!

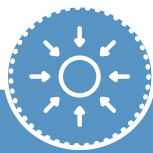


### ENCOURAGE

persistence. Place the focus on the child's efforts rather than evaluating the outcome

### GIVE SPECIFIC FEEDBACK

instead of general comments. I love that you drew your family so happy or try kicking the ball harder to reach the net.



### DEMONSTRATE

the correct way of doing something. Generally, this involves a procedure or step-by-step instructions.



### MODEL

attitudes, ways of approaching problems, and behavior toward others. Don't just tell children, show them!



### CREATE CHALLENGES

so the task is slightly more difficult than what you know children can already handle.



### ASK QUESTIONS

that provoke children's thinking. Specifically use open-ended questions to promote problem solving and critical thinking.



### GIVE ASSISTANCE

like clues and hints to help children push beyond their current level of competency and ability.



### PROVIDE INFO

directly giving children facts, verbal labels, and other important information.



### GIVE DIRECTIONS

for children's actions or behavior. Be explicit in what you want to occur or what you want them to do.

