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Parents might disagree about money, home chores, or how to spend time. They might disagree about big things – like important decisions they need to make for the family. Sometimes parents can disagree with each other and still manage to talk about it in a calm way, where both people get a chance to listen and to talk. But many times when parents disagree, they argue. An argument is a fight using words. Most kids worry when their parents argue. Loud voices and angry words parents might use can make kids feel scared, sad, or upset. If the argument has anything to do with the kids, kids might think they have caused their parents to argue and fight. Kids often worry about what it means when parents fight. They might think it means their parents will get a divorce. Most of the time the arguments are just a way to let off steam when parents have a bad day or feel stressed out over other things. Most people lose their cool now and then. Sometimes an argument might not mean anything except that one parent or both just lost their temper. Kids usually feel upset when they see or hear parents arguing. Seeing parents upset and out of control can make kids feel unprotected and scared. Kids might worry about one parent or the other during an argument. They might worry that one parent may feel especially sad or hurt because of being yelled at by the other parent. They might worry that one parent seems angry enough to lose control. They might worry that their parent might be angry with them, too, or that someone might get hurt. Worry from arguments can even make it hard for a kid to go to sleep or go to school. So the best thing to do is to stay out of the argument and go somewhere else in the house to get away from the fighting or arguing. So go to your room, close the door, find something else to do until it is over. These things are never OK. They might need the help of another adult to do this. Talking to other relatives, a teacher, a school counselor, or any adult you trust about the fighting can be important. If Someone Gets Hurt Sometimes parents who fight can get so out of control that they hurt each other, and sometimes kids can get hurt, too. If this happens, kids can let an adult know, so that the family can be helped and protected from fighting in a way that hurts people. If fighting is out of control in a family, if people are getting hurt from fighting, or if people in the family are tired of too much fighting, there is help. Family counselors and therapists know how to help families work on problems, including fighting. They can help by teaching family members to listen to each other and talk about feelings without yelling and screaming. Though it may take some work, time, and practice, people in families can always learn to get along better. Having arguments once in a while can be healthy if it helps people get feelings out in the open instead of bottling them up inside. The good news about disagreeing is that afterward people usually understand each other better and feel closer. Parents fight for different reasons. Most of the time, arguments are over quickly, parents apologize and make up, and everyone feels better again. Happy, Healthy Families No family is perfect. Even in the happiest home, problems pop up and people argue from time to time. Everyone feels better, and life can get back to normal. Being part of a family means everyone pitches in and tries to make life better for each other.

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Avoiding and Neglecting Your Child Neglecting your child physically or emotionally can affect him or her in an extremely negative manner. Child neglect is a very common type of child abuse, which can hurt as much as physical abuse. Ignoring the needs of children, putting them in unsupervised or in dangerous situations, or making the child feel worthless can lead to low self-esteem and isolation. Many times this can affect the mental health or social development of the child and may even leave lifelong psychological scars. According to *The Lasting Impact of Neglect* by Kiersten Wier, published by the American Psychological Association, neglect can lead to a long list of problems including low self-esteem, social withdrawal, poor impulse control, stealing, problems with coping and regulating emotions, and pathological behaviors like tics, tantrums, and self-harm. Neglect can also affect intellectual functioning and academic achievement. A child needs to feel loved and cherished. The effects of neglect can last a lifetime. Physical or Verbal Abuse Exposing a child to physical violence or verbal abuse can be very damaging to his or her psychology. Many children are victims of these types of abuse. Many parents vent their frustrations at their children without realizing what sort of psychological damage they are inflicting. Even one spanking or slur, even a small bruise or remark can leave its mark. Such acts can lead to the child losing confidence and developing an inferiority complex. According to the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, abuses like these can cause lifelong psychological, physical, behavioral, and economic problems and poor physical and mental health. Aside from observable signs of physical damage, the effects may last a lifetime and might manifest in depression and anxiety or in high-risk behaviors such as casual sex, self-harm, crime, chemical dependency, and other unhealthy, dangerous behaviors, including eating disorders, sleep issues, apathy and lethargy, hostility, and attention deficit disorders. Punishment might be required when a child does something wrong, but when they are extensively punished for small matters, it may backfire. A child requires physical contact with the parent like hugs, kisses, and other signs of affection. If you yell at your child, call him or her names, or say that he or she is no good, the damage can be permanent. Setting a Bad Example There are many parents who do nothing to discourage bad behavior or manners in their kids and turn a blind eye to their behavior. As the saying goes, what you sow is what you reap. If you are someone who shouts or uses bad words in front of children, then it is only natural that they will take after you. That may be why the children of smokers or drinkers or drug users are more likely to start experimenting with substances at a young age. Those parents are in no position to stop them, as they have the same bad habits. Fighting or indulging in physical or verbal abuse in front of the child also is not a sign of a good parent. It is very important to offer a good example for the child to follow. Favoritism or Partiality When a parent makes it clear that they prefer one child over another, it can be very damaging, and those children are more likely to exhibit depression later in life. Be it with education, food, or other essential requirements, girls often get less opportunities, beginning in their own homes. Many parents even have the habit of complaining to others about their own children. They grumble or complain about their child in front of others rather than communicating and parenting responsibly. Parents who are overly critical and compare their child to others are also causing them damage. Oppressive, Overbearing Authoritarianism It is true that a parent usually knows what is best for his or her child, but often parents force their choices onto their children without considering their interests, intelligence level, or capacity. Many are very controlling and look to achieve their own unfulfilled dreams and ambitions through their children. An authoritarian parent is one who demands constant obedience and uses threats, shame, and other punishments to enforce good behavior. Research suggests these oppressive tactics are toxic for kids. When the child cannot live up to the expectations of the parent, it can be very de-motivating and disappointing for everyone. A child requires encouragement and motivation, but forcing them to be something that goes against their own nature can affect them adversely. Children whose every need is fulfilled may fail to realize the real value of money and may develop bad habits.

Too Much Pampering or Interfering On the flip side of neglect, too much pampering or involvement can spoil the child by making them too demanding and dependent. Many parents overprotect their children and interfere in their activities to such an extent that when they grow up, they are incapable of taking care of themselves and become anxious, incompetent, and incapable of making decisions. Not Trusting the Child Many parents believe others more than they believe their own children. Sometimes, they do not even allow their child to offer an explanation. Many have no faith in their children and de-motivate them with their words or actions. This sort of behavior can cause a child to rebel or do things they are not supposed to do. What Would a Bad Parent Do? Can good kids survive bad parenting? The effects of bad parenting run deep and long. Many kids lose self-esteem, develop bad habits, or feel inhibited for the rest of their lives, so take time out for children, teach them good manners, and correct them when they do wrong. Many of us including me have suffered from the effects of bad parenting. I had a neglected childhood where I was forced to stay away from my parents and also suffered from favoritism. I am sure that there are many who suffered in childhood like I did, if not more, but it is up to us to turn that negative into a positive. What I suffered made me a much stronger person. It made me promise myself to do better and never let my children suffer the way I did. Should I have kids and risk being a lousy parent? The first thing a current or prospective parent should realize is that you cannot be perfect in all aspects. Humans are prone to making mistakes, but we have to learn from them, correct them, and not let them affect our children. Though it may not be possible to be a perfect parent, at least you can try to be a good one. But what if I want to be a friend to my children? When parents neglect to set rules and boundaries for their children, it is only natural for the kids to become brats or display unacceptable behavior. By being a friend instead of a parent, you do them a disservice. It is your choice if you want to be a positive role model or be a bad parent. Managing tantrums, mistakes, and mischief wisely can help your child become a good citizen. I think I have covered all the major signs of bad parenting. Have I left anything? Feel free to add them by way of comments. Questions must be on-topic, written with proper grammar usage, and understandable to a wide audience. My child is horrible. No method of punishment works for her. She does the same thing you tell her to stop doing over and over again. Am I a bad parent? What do I do? Punishments can often make children rebellious. Talk to your child calmly and try to understand her problem. Maybe that will help you know what you are doing wrong. Communication can solve a lot of problems.

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Are politics only for adults? By Stephanie Hertenberg Shutterstock. No one expects children to debate the latest tax reform or complain about a foreign policy decision. Instead, people figure that most children will find politics boring. In many cases, people who think that way are not wrong. Many children do find politics boring. That said, many children also find math boring. They still have to learn about it. Does politics fall in that same category? Should parents be talking about politics with their children or let them form their own opinions when they are adults? Adults may think that by avoiding discussing certain topics, they are letting their children grow up as a sort of blank slate. If the adults do not force their own opinions on their children, those children will be able to decide what they really think when they are old enough to consider the topic. Children form all sorts of opinions based on the snippets of conversation they overhear or from watching how their parents react to certain things. Even if parents hide in another room and close the door when they discuss political issues, children are likely to pick up on whether the house tends to be conservative or liberal. Hiding a topic away will not convince children to form their own opinions. Instead, they will be determined to listen at the door and find out what the adults are discussing. Nothing is more interesting to human beings of all shapes, sizes and ages than a secret. Generations of children from all over the world have made it a point to eavesdrop on their parents when they know the adults are hiding something. That the topic is politics will not make children less likely to spy on the conversation. Politics may be boring to them, but if the parents are trying to hide it, there must be something more interesting about it! It is the temptation of forbidden fruit. It is a natural assumption of humanity that if someone is hiding something, that something is interesting, valuable or both. Parents who believe that they can raise a child who is a political blank slate are fooling themselves. People, whether they are adults or children, have opinions on just about everything. It is a stance of either complete neutrality or, more often, utter apathy. Children are not devoid of opinions on topics simply because they have not explored them extensively. You could ask a child about almost any political subject and, once they have even the slightest grasp of the concept, get an opinion. Parents who want to raise a child who decides what they believe when they are old enough are destined to fail. Children do not exist in a vacuum. They will inevitably encounter political opinions. Since children are going to be exposed to political thoughts and opinions anyway, parents should be prepared to discuss the issues with their children. Children will inevitably see that behavior in other people, but parents can help keep them from copying it. It will also teach them how to handle working with or talking with someone who is very different than themselves. This is an important skill that they will need when they get older. As much as many children are uninterested in politics, there is the occasional child who is actually very curious about what those people are talking about on TV. One good way to do that is to talk about current events with the child. The child may decide that they do actually find politics boring when they start digging into its nuances, but they may also find it to be even more fascinating than ever. There is no way to know for certain unless the child explores their interest, and they will have trouble doing that without parental approval and assistance. Whether a set of parents like politics or not, there is no denying that they are important to understand. A basic interest in politics will help make a person a better citizen by keeping them more informed about issues and any candidates running in an upcoming election. Given that the United States is often mocked for its low electoral turnout, a bit more interest in politics can only be a good thing to encourage in children.

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Or it could be that you want to feel closer to your Mom and Dad. In fact, it can help a lot. But your mom or dad can handle knowing about your problem, big or small. If they look concerned, it just means they care, and that they feel for you. But sweeping a problem under the rug hardly ever solves it. And bottling up your feelings can make you feel stressed. Talking things over with a parent can help you feel less stressed. Together, you can think of ways to cope, solve the problem, and feel better. How to Start Do you need to talk about something important? Decide who you want to talk to. Do you want to talk to your Mom, your Dad, or both of them? Do you want to talk to a grandparent? Pick a good time and place to talk. Think about what you need. Do you need permission for something? Do you want advice? You can get started by saying things like: Can I tell you about it? You might be mad, but I want to fix things, and I need your help. Can I tell you? Then you can have more of a back-and-forth discussion. Communication Tips Explain your situation. Give details that can help parents understand your situation. Explain what you think, feel, and want. If you sometimes hide the truth or add too much drama, parents will have a harder time believing what you tell them. Try to understand their side. If you can, say so. Telling parents you understand their side helps them be willing to see yours, too. Try not to argue or whine. That makes it more likely parents will listen and take what you say seriously. Share the good stuff, too. Make it a habit to talk to your parents about things besides problems. Share what goes well for you, too. Talking helps you be close and enjoy each other more. Most of the time, you and your parents can have a good talk and make at least some progress. But for some kids, it might not work out. Some parents have troubles of their own. Others have a hard time being flexible. Find a relative, a teacher, or a counselor who will listen, understand, encourage, believe in you, and care. Then follow all the tips above to get the most from your conversation with that person.

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