

## **Upbringing Children - ABC of Upbringing**

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**A**ccept your child the way he is.

**B**uild on the talents of your child, rather than criticizing his defects.

**C**onceal the faults and mistakes of your child from others.

**D**on't degrade your child for his shortcomings, for every one of us has some.

**E**ncourage your child to pursue his goals.

**F**orbearance and patience must be shown in all situations.

**G**ive your child the understanding and support that he needs.

**H**elp your child when he comes across a difficulty or a dead end.

**I**nquire about the sorrows and unhappiness of your child.

**J**ustice must be observed between all of your children

**K**eep the channel of communication open with your child at all times.

**L**end an ear to your child in times of distress.

**M**oral support towards your child is very important.

**N**ever lie to your child about anything, or make false promises.

**O**bliging the child to do things exactly the way we want them done will turn them away from you.

**P**raise the child only to the extent of his deed (do not over-exaggerate).

**Q**uietly and calmly speak to your child, do not raise your voice.

**R**espect your child, for he too is a human being.

**S**how your child how things are to be done, rather than expect them to know.

**T**each your child manners and etiquette with your actions, rather than your words.

**U**pbringing your child in the proper way will make a brighter future for all.

**V**ows and promises made to the child must be kept.

**W**arm, loving words said to the child will have more of an affect than harsh ones.

**EXamine the faults in yourself and improve them, rather than condemning the child for the same things.**

**Yelling at children will make them yell back at you.**

**Zeal and eagerness of your child, especially in regards to his talents should be encouraged.**