

## HELPING YOUR CHILDREN WITH THEIR HOMEWORK

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Based on studies, most parents spend an average of six hours a week helping their children with homework. If you show interest and offer early on, it will encourage your child to develop positive attitudes to learning, in and out of school.

You will benefit, too. You'll get to know your child's particular strengths and difficulties and will find out what he's studying. Your child's school will benefit from it by having secured and motivated pupils and well-informed parents or guardians who are directly involved with their children's education.

As your child gets older, he needs to become more independent. Assisting your home learners to be organized, ensuring that the learning space is more convenient and ang quiet to work, and offering lots of encouragement will get him off to the right start.

Consider the following tips on how to help them.

See to it that the school's guidelines in relative to doing homework are properly understood and followed.

If possible, request for the school for copies of any leaflets, learning engagement materials about supporting children at home.

Watch out for the school newsletter advertising parents' subject sessions. These will help the learners and parents in a modern method of teaching and learning for learning.

Suggest somewhere at home as a homework area. It needs a flat surface, a good light source, and resources such as pens, pencils, rulers, scissors, glue, a dictionary, and a notebook to hand.

Set up a daily routine. Plan a homework timetable so that you know what your child needs to do and when. If your child is in secondary, he will probably tell which subject the teacher will set homework on each day.

Most schools also issue a homework diary where children write down what they have set and when it is due. You should inspect and check your children's notes every week and sign it if the school asks you to do so.

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