

DEVELOPING THE CHILD'S SOCIAL SKILL

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Aside from cognitive, physical, emotional, and psychomotor abilities, a teacher must nurture the child's social skill. Since the child will eventually float outside and will in time mingle with different kinds of people from all walks of life, the ability to socialize and deal with others would be very essential.

There are necessary means on how a teacher may develop the child social skill. It is vital to consider strategies for a better result.

Presenting a model or example of a person with developed social skill is a good step to develop one's social ability. This could be presented in a video wherein to show the presence of someone who knows how to communicate well with others.

The practice of talking in the class is advisable. Talking in a role play, puppet show and storytelling time are certainly recommended. The teacher must persuade the children to do these activities for them to develop confidence in speaking and to develop courage in facing other people.

Take time to listen to every learner and have him or her take a turn. A child's social skill is developed when a teacher listens while he or she is speaking and by giving more opportunities for him or her to take part in the discussion of a certain subject.

A teacher must emphasize the importance of body language. Social skill is accompanied by the way a person shows actions while communicating with others. It is more effective when a child can socialize and at the same time present bodily movements that are coordinated.

Teaching a child about personal space is very important. This means that as part of the social skill, a child must learn to respect the privacy of others. If a person likes to be more reserved on what he or she thinks and feels, then showing respect is ideal.

Develop the strategies to be more tactful. In socializing with others, it is necessary to display pleasant actions and utter words of goodwill. You will gain the admiration and respect of others if you are truly comely as a human being in terms of behavior or action. A child must learn to be good when dealing with peers and other people.

Let the children spend moments to play. Taking time to play may serve as a training ground for them to learn how to interact with peers. When they can survive and when they are able to manifest good actions with others then social skill is better developed.

Developing the child's social skill is very essential because it is one way of teaching them to be more approachable and be more humane. It is indeed very important to be sociable and to gain more friends and buddies.

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