



# P.R.I.D.E. Skills for Teachers

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## Praise

As a teacher, you have a powerful influence on your students' behavioral development. Students want your approval and will repeat the behaviors that you give attention to. Praise desirable behaviors and try to put more emphasis on acknowledging good behavior than criticizing bad.

YOUNGER

I LOVE HOW YOU'RE MIXING PAINT TO CREATE NEW COLORS!



YOU'VE DONE A GREAT JOB GATHERING RESEARCH FOR YOUR ESSAY.

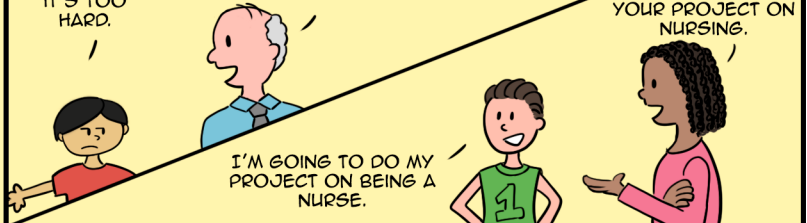
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## Reflection

Reflection is a tool for teachers to increase their student's emotional intelligence and critical thinking skills. Use reflection by listening to your students and repeating back what they say. This shows students that you understand their feelings and ideas.

I DON'T LIKE FRACTIONS, IT'S TOO HARD.

YOU DON'T LIKE FRACTIONS BECAUSE IT'S HARD. IF YOU USE CALM WORDS TO ASK ME FOR HELP, I'D BE HAPPY TO HELP YOU UNDERSTAND IT BETTER.



I'M GOING TO DO MY PROJECT ON BEING A NURSE.

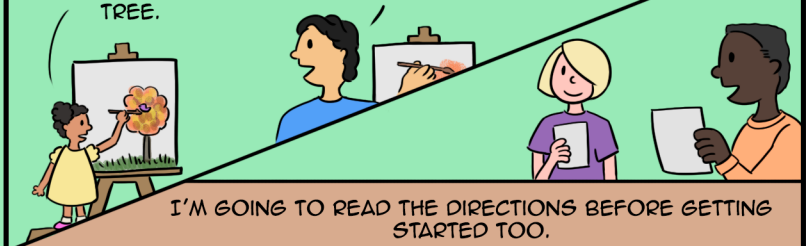
YOU'RE DOING YOUR PROJECT ON NURSING.

## Imitation

Students are expected to replicate what their teachers demonstrate on a daily basis. When a teacher turns the tables and imitates their students, it's a huge confidence booster for kids. Imitate your students' ideas to support their self-esteem and encourage positive behaviors.

I'M DRAWING A BIRD IN THE TREE.

I'LL DRAW A BIRD IN MY TREE TOO.

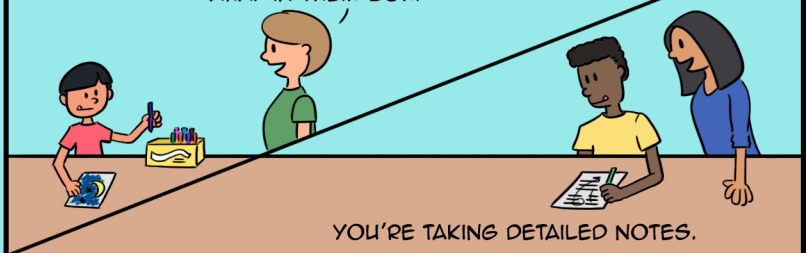


I'M GOING TO READ THE DIRECTIONS BEFORE GETTING STARTED TOO.

## Description

You have the power to influence students' language development and concentration by describing behaviors that you like. Use description by drawing attention to the positive behaviors that you see your students doing.

I SEE YOU'RE NEATLY PUTTING YOUR CRAYONS AWAY IN THEIR BOX.

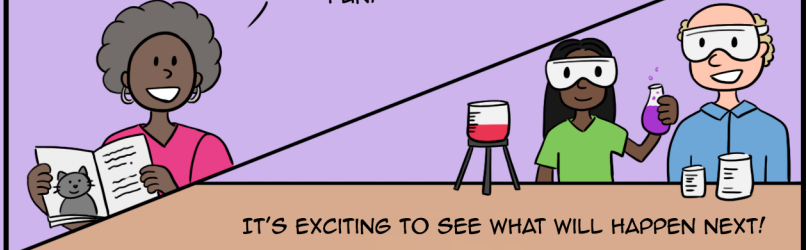


YOU'RE TAKING DETAILED NOTES.

## Enjoyment

Your students may see you more often than most other adults in their lives, so your perspective has a powerful impact on their emotional intelligence. Model a positive perspective by expressing gratitude and enjoyment during class. Let them know you value the time you get to spend with them.

READING CAT STORIES TOGETHER IS SO MUCH FUN!



IT'S EXCITING TO SEE WHAT WILL HAPPEN NEXT!