# THE WC REARNING COMMUNITY

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A boy washing dishes iStockphoto

# Chores

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Chores are small jobs around the house, such as washing dishes and doing laundry. Chores are part of family life. Studies show that doing chores helps children to become more successful adults.

## What parents can do:



Show children how to do a chore. Later, they can do it without your help.



Praise children for finishing a chore and for doing a good job.

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### What can children do:



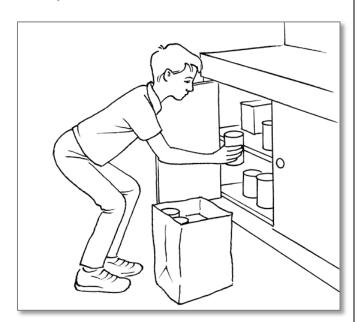
A 3-year-old can match socks in the laundry basket.



A 5-year-old can make a bed by pulling up the comforter.



An 8-year-old can make a lunch for school.



A 10-year-old can put away groceries and do the family laundry.

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### **Exercise**

Ask your learners to brainstorm what other chores can be done by a 3-year-old, a 5-year-old, an 8-year-old and a 10-year-old? When the learners have finished their lists, write the complete list on the board.