

Assess Your Perspective

Take some time to create lists of behaviors that are always acceptable, never acceptable, and sometimes acceptable. You might think of a specific child's behaviors when you fill this out. However, it is also enlightening to evaluate your own behaviors, and those of your close friends and loved ones. Consider the routines in which the children in your care may excel and those in which their behavior may be problematic. There is no right or wrong situation or response, and no limit on the number of responses. Complete this exercise individually, and then compare your responses with others who work and/or live with the child.

Behaviors That Are Always Acceptable

Behaviors That Are Never Acceptable

Behaviors That Are Sometimes Acceptable