

20 Rules For Fathers

Take away guide from:

How To Raise Strong Kids In A Weak World



- 1 Prepare them for the day you won't be here.**
You're constantly in the replacement game - raise your kids to out-do you.
- 2 Don't try to please everyone.**
You WILL be miserable. Have the courage to lead with conviction.
- 3 Learn to confront respectfully.**
Avoiding confrontation doesn't make it go away - it lets it grow.
- 4 Deliver on your threats.**
Your word loses weight if you don't follow through. Every time.
- 5 Create an environment where debate is welcomed.**
Kids who can argue with you will argue for themselves in the world.
- 6 Create rituals and traditions the family looks forward to.**
Weekly, monthly, quarterly, and annually. Predictable joy builds security.
- 7 Create a clear currency in the house.**
Ours is reading books, Lego, sports. Define what earns reward in your home.
- 8 Don't just share success stories - share massive failures and why.**
Charlie Munger's kids did. Vulnerability builds trust more than trophies.
- 9 Ask real-life situation questions.**
"Your sister's boyfriend disrespected her in front of others - what do you do?" Train their judgment before the world does.
- 10 Allow your kids to negotiate better arrangements with you if they make a good case.**
Teach them to advocate for themselves. It's a skill they'll use forever.

- 11 Teach your kids math and problem-solving.**
A child who can solve problems is a child who can handle life.
- 12 There is more caught than taught in parenting.**
They are not listening to you - they are watching you.
- 13 Once you identify what they're obsessed with, put them in an environment to expand it.**
Don't redirect their obsession - amplify it with the right resources and people.
- 14 Take your kids to where you work.**
Seeing you in your environment builds respect, ambition, and context.
- 15 A boy needs: A present father · A strong belief system · Standard · Friction · Fun.**
Too many bad ideas exist about raising boys. These five are non-negotiable.
- 16 Create positive peer pressure for your kids to challenge one another.**
The environment you curate is as powerful as anything you teach directly.
- 17 Tell your kids you love them unconditionally - but protect how often you say 'I'm proud of you.'**
Pride should be earned. It loses meaning when given freely.
- 18 Never avoid the tough conversations - especially the most sensitive and uncomfortable ones.**
Your kids need to hear it from you before the world distorts it.
- 19 Teach your kids everything you know so they can out-do you.**
But treat them so well that they always seek your company even when they don't need you.
- 20 Teach your kids how to make a better case for what they want.**
Negotiation, communication, and persuasion are life skills. Start young.

