

BEHAVIOR SPECIFIC PRAISE

Example Praise Statements

General guidelines:

- Praise effort, not ability
- Praise specific examples of effort, not broad generalizations
- Praise in a variety of contexts with various methods: in front of class, in private, written feedback

Great job showing your work on your math homework.

I appreciate how you pushed in your chair on the way to line up for lunch. That keeps the walkways safe.

Thank you for turning in your assignment on time.

I love how you remembered to clean up your area after science lab.

Great job locating seven robust resource documents for your essay.

I appreciate how today in class you wrote without stopping for the whole writing time period.

You made good progress on vocabulary, defining 17 of 20 words, which is seven more than last week.

You met your goals today of completing the essay outline!

You followed the steps to correctly reduce fractions to lowest terms, mastering the state standard!

Nice job helping Suzi work through the steps to that problem.

I like how Lucille is sitting with her hands and feet to herself.

You were really engaged and participatory in our class discussion.

I like how you are sharing your materials with your group as we work on our project today.

Excellent use of our new vocabulary word “ambient” in your everyday speech!

Great job class taking turns in our discussion.

I like how you walked over here to quietly, being respectful of everyone else who is reading.

Thank you for raising your hand and waiting to be called on before asking your question.

Class, you are working on your assignment so quietly, thank you!

I like to see students sitting “crisscross applesauce.”

Way to go, Billy, you are using your coping skills.

Thank you for waiting your turn, Janelle.

Anna, great job filling out your self-monitoring form consistently at each step.