

Gifted Services

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Clarity

How can I support my learner's giftedness at home?

Supporting giftedness at home is a great way to help your gifted learner continue to grow. There are so many ways to make this happen. Below are a few simple ideas:

1. Ask questions: Lead your learner into deeper thinking through asking reflection questions often.
2. Listen well: Even when you don't understand, listen to your learner and be willing to learn with them.
3. Look for learning opportunities: They are all around us. Play games, visit museums, create...learning happens everywhere!
4. Embrace challenge: Look for opportunities that will engage your learner in productive struggle. Encourage them to persevere and cheer them on!

Community

Involve your learner in community projects, such as neighborhood clean-ups, local art installations, or charity drives. These activities can help them feel connected to their community and develop teamwork skills. After the experience, ask them to reflect and share they learned or gained from the experience.

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My parent-teacher conferences are coming up early next month on February 5th for Utica Elementary and February 12th for Newton Elementary. Please sign up or email me if you'd like a conference or if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your support!

Challenge

Challenge your learner to set a G.O.A.L. for the new year. How do they need to GROW? What obstacles need to be OVERCOME? What strengths can they APPLY? What do they need to LEARN? Setting goals is an important skill and something that can be challenging for gifted learners.

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