

#### insist

If you insist that something should be done, you say it must be done.

Ask your child to insist that something must be done. Then have your child explain why it is different from saying something doesn't need to be done right away.



## calamity

A calamity is an event that causes a big mess or a lot of people to get hurt.

Ask your child to give an example of a calamity.



## precious

If you say something is precious, you mean that it is very cute and easy to like.

Have your child find a picture of some-

Have your child find a picture of something he or she thinks is precious.



#### heroic

When you are heroic, you do something good that takes a lot of courage.

Ask your child to name a person who is heroic and why he or she thinks so.



## impressed

If you are impressed by something, you like it very much and think it is rather amazing.

Recall with your child a time when you were impressed with something he or she did. Have your child explain what it means to be impressed.



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If you redeem yourself, you do something good that makes people like you again after you have done something bad.

redeem

Share with your child a time that you redeemed yourself and then encourage your child to share a similar time with you.



### regret

When you regret something, you wish you had not done it.

Ask about a time your child did something he or she later regretted.





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