

Work Kids Can Do

1 - 2 YEARS OLD

- Pick up toys and put away
- Take trash to the trash can
- Follow one-step instructions (like, "Hand it to me.")
- Help fill a pet's food dish
- Clean up spills
- Put clothes in washer / dryer

3 - 4 YEARS OLD

- All previous tasks
- Help carry groceries
- Carry dishes to the sink
- Water plants
- Sort toys and put them away
- Sort laundry (*darks / lights*)
- Put dishes in the dishwasher
- Hang up wet towels
- Help set the table

K - 1ST GRADE

- All previous tasks
- Load and unload laundry
- Load and unload dishwasher (*bottom rack*)
- Make the bed
- Brush teeth
- Fold and put away towels
- Put clothes on hangers
- Take care of pets
- Bring in the mail
- Refill the toilet paper

2ND - 3RD GRADE

- All previous tasks
- Gather trash bags from around the house
- Rake leaves
- Unpack lunch box
- Handwash the dishes
- Bathe and brush teeth independently
- Empty the dishwasher
- Put away dishes
- Sort, wash, fold, and put away laundry
- Help wash the car
- Plant and water flowers
- Make the bed
- Clean room

4TH - 5TH GRADE

- All previous tasks
- Put on deodorant
- Load and unload dishwasher
- Clean the bathroom
- Wipe down mirrors and windows
- Change bed sheets
- Put away groceries
- Take out trash / recycling
- Change bed sheets
- Bake and cook simple meals
- Organize and wipe out the fridge

6TH - 8TH GRADE

- All previous tasks
- Put on deodorant
- Pack a lunch
- Vacuum the car
- Prepare a family meal
- Learn to iron clothes
- Make grocery list
- Help shop for groceries
- Sweep and mop floor
- Mow the lawn
- Babysit

9TH - 12TH GRADE

- All previous tasks
- Car maintenance
- Do simple home repairs
- Get a first job
- Help pay a personal bill
- Learn to jump start a car
- Run family errands
- Manage a budget
- Change a flat tire
- Manage personal calendar
- Make appointments
- Volunteer with kids