

PARENT CHECKLIST - AM I SUPPORTING CRITICAL THINKING AT HOME?

- I encourage my child to ask questions--even if I don't know the answer
- I explain my reasoning when making decisions or setting rules
- We discuss multiple ways to solve a problem
- I allow natural consequences to play out when appropriate
- I help my child reflect on past decisions or mistakes without shame
- We talk about different perspectives or "sides" of an issue
- I ask open-ended questions more often than yes/no questions
- I avoid jumping in to "fix" things too quickly.
- We sometimes disagree--and I model respectful disagreement
- I encourage curiosity, even when it slows us down.

Bonus: 7-10 boxes checked = strong thinking home; 4-6 = room to grow; <4 = great time to build new habits!