The Household Responsibility Sheet

Give the work an owner. Teach the job. Check the finish.

Responsibility starts with a clear instruction and a patient example. Give children work suited to their age, ability, and need for supervision.

01 Make the work clear

Start with four useful duties. Agree on the finish together; 'help more' is not an instruction.

Item	The job	Owner	Due / frequency	Finished means
Duty 1				
Duty 2				
Duty 3				
Duty 4				

02 Teach one job properly

Choose the duty needing instruction. Show it, practice together, then check it calmly. Adults remain responsible for safety and appropriate supervision.

Job we are practicing

Adult teaching or supervising

The steps, in order

Tools and help needed

When we will practice together

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03 Plan the handoffs

A busy evening still needs an owner. If someone cannot do a duty, agree on the replacement instead of leaving it for whoever notices.

Item	Day / conflict	Duty affected	Agreed backup	Check-in time
Handoff 1				
Handoff 2				
Handoff 3				

Our calm reminder when work is unfinished

04 Review without a lecture

Praise a specific action. Re-teach an unclear step. A missed chore calls for an appropriate repair; do not withhold food, care, or affection.

A helpful action we noticed

What needs practice or a clearer instruction?

One change to the duty or handoff

Next family check-in