Past Repair and Present Issue Boundary Card

Name today's action without reopening every wound.

A remembered mistake is not permission to accuse without current evidence.

Hypothetical example: a parent addresses today's unfinished chore without reintroducing a repaired lie from months earlier.

01 Name the present action first

Identify today's specific action.

Current action needing attention

What was directly observed

What was only assumed

Specific household expectation

02 Distinguish unfinished repair from a remembered event

Check whether an old repair is still open.

Old incident being mentioned

Repair actually completed

Repair genuinely still open

Evidence for reopening that issue

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03 Use a pattern only when the evidence supports it

Choose only relevant current evidence.

Relevant pattern with dates

Unrelated accusation to leave out

Adult phrase that labels the child

Specific replacement statement

04 Give today's issue a finish line

Give the present issue a clear next step.

Present next action

Adult follow-through required

How completion will be recognized

Date to close the current issue