Child Meaning and Parent Summary Repair

Hear the qualification that changes the meaning.

A fair summary preserves scope, intensity and uncertainty.

Hypothetical example: A parent corrects "hates the class" to the child's actual concern about one part of one lesson and explains the enrollment decision separately.

01 Pause when the child says that is not what they meant

Record the original view and the parent's changed summary.

Child's original meaning

Parent's inaccurate summary

Who heard the altered version

02 Check the meaning in language the child recognizes

Identify the exact difference and check a repaired version.

Scope, intensity or timing changed

Child-approved corrected wording

Uncertainty that must remain

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03 Correct the same audience when practical

Correct the relevant audience with appropriate privacy.

Correction the parent will make

Details not needed by the audience

What correction was actually received

04 Keep truthfulness ahead of winning the account

Separate the adult decision from the child's view.

Parent's separate decision

Reason belonging to the adult

Listening adjustment for next time