

Game Proposal

Perfect Parenting (add logo)

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The premise of this game is to teach young and new parents how to properly take care of a child and what to expect.

This game will have 3 levels with 50+ screens and 1 player.

Target Audience: Parents

The game focuses on identifying acts of bad parenting and provides them with support to hopefully become a better parent.

Research

What is Poor Parenting?

- Often tied to expectations of poor outcomes
 - Children are seen as being at risk of neglect or maltreatment

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Signs of bad parenting:

- Child abuse
 - Low self esteem

- Distrust
- Mental health disorders such as anxiety, PTSD, and depression
- Suicidal thoughts
- Learning disorder
- Developmental delay
- Violent behaviour
- https://www.qld.gov.au/community/getting-support-health-social-issue/
- Physical abuse
- Emotional neglect
 - It disrupts the brain development and information processing, increasing the risk of disorders
 - Low levels of confidence
 - Greater risk of anxiety and depression
 - (https://developingchild.harvard.edu/science/deep-dives/neglect/)
- Aggressive punishment is one of the biggest causes of juvenile delinquency
 - Increased child aggression
 - Anti-social behaviour
 - Poor relationship qualities between the parent and child
 - Mental health problems such as depression
 - https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/jou rnals-and-magazines/social-policy-journal/spj27/the-state-of-research-on-effect s-of-physical-punishment-27-pages114-127.html#:~:text=Physical%20punishmen t%20is%20associated%20with,)%2C%20and%20diminished%20moral%20interna lisation.
- A bad childhood may lead to crimes, drug addiction, or alcoholism.
- Authoritarian: Require children to obey without questions
 - A strict parenting style that places high expectations on children
 - Low self esteem
 - Difficulty in social situations
 - Display aggressive behavior
 - Cannot accept failure
 - https://www.webmd.com/parenting/authoritarian-parenting-what-is-it

- Use intimidation to discipline (punishment is the go-to)
- Controlling
 - Unable to face the natural consequences
 - Limited creativity
 - Mental health problems such as anxiety
 - Fear mistakes
 - https://www.verywellfamily.com/dangers-of-being-a-control-freak-with-your-child-1094802
- Don't monitor/control a child's bad behaviour
- Choose the easier over better parenting practices
- Deny responsibility
- Not self-reflective

Bad parenting includes:

- 1. The failure to monitor/track the child's behaviour
- 2. The failure to recognize deviant behaviour when it occurs
- 3. The erratic and excessive punishment of deviant behaviour
- 4. When a parent prioritizes their own interests over their children's best interests

https://www.parentingforbrain.com/bad-parenting/

Solutions to poor parenting

- Listening to your children's thoughts and feelings
- Have proper punishments and rewards that are reasonable
- Label behaviour and not the child itself
- Don't ignore them
- Show love and display affection
- Let them make mistakes

https://www.healthline.com/health/parenting/bad-parenting#how-to-stop-it

- Don't lose your temper
- Don't play favourites
- Support their interests
- Don't force your child to eat anything
- Avoid letting your child become addicted to "gadgets"

https://www.momjunction.com/articles/parenting-problems-solutions_0074354/

• Don't be afraid to apologize

https://www.quora.com/How-can-we-fix-poor-parenting

- BE CONSISTENT
- Possibly no rewards
- Discipline over punishment
- "Parenting is a marathon, not a sprint"

https://www.positiveparentingsolutions.com/parenting/positive-parenting-techniques

- Trust your child
- Being accepting of your childs experiences rather than just yelling at them

https://www.positiveparenting.com/parenting-problems-and-solutionsr/

- You need to be a parent first and not their best friend
- Establish good eating habits within your home
- Make sure your child does their homework
- Set a curfew for when they must be home from hanging out with friends
- Play and have fun with your child
- Don't buy everything they want
- Hug and tell your child you love them

https://ezinearticles.com/?10-Positive-Parenting-Solutions-for-Bad-Parenting&id=8784590

- Don't reprimand the child excessively
- Do not discipline your child in front of other friends
- When you give advice, make sure you encourage them as well
- Set structure and boundaries for your child
- Support your child
- Don't constantly compare your child to others
- Praise your child for their accomplishments and achievements
- Don't be a hypocrite, setting a bad example
- Give them a choice
- Spend time with your child
- Don't be overprotective
- Don't resort to physical violence

https://parenting.firstcry.com/articles/bad-parenting-signs-effects/

Storyboard

Deficiencies room

This room will teach you all about poor parenting

- definition of poor parenting
- signs of poor parenting with buttons that you can click that go into different signs
- you complete the level when all the buttons are clicked

Panic room

This room will help teach you what to do in panic situations.

Provide tips

Escape room

This room will test your ability as a parent.

- Have certain scenarios roll and the user makes a choice

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