**TOPIC(133) ▶Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Children should be required to help with household tasks as soon as they are able to do so. Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.**

It’s common to witness children being exploited for performing a stack of accumulated household tasks instead of their busy parents. Despite the complaints made by children who state the unfairness and unreasonableness of completing all the household tasks, some merciless parents only admonish them by saying “It’s a natural duty for the offspring to help their parents finishing household tasks”. In my opinion, children shouldn’t be forced to have charge of domestic jobs since they react as obstacles for children’s overall growths.

First of all, children also have assigned jobs to do, nothing different with adults. Specifically, younger children must spend most of their time on playing while older children should start to invest all of their spare time in studying. In this point, some parents might not feel any necessity and significance of playing since they’ve always punished their child for playing too much. However, playing is one of the most essential sources of experiences, and a shortage of accumulations of experiences originated from playing will adversely impact the children throughout the whole life. For example, they will lack of social skills which will eventually lead themselves to the isolation from the society. In addition, playing sparsely will result in the absence of creativity and imagination skills, which are the most integral skills for people to subsist in the modern society. Although, playing seems to be a very useless activity, it’s actually rudiments for the children’s growth. Thus, activities helpful for the children’s exponential leap in their lives such as playing and studying should be unencumbered by household tasks.

Second of all, domestic duties also hinder the dreams of children. As everyone knows, young children’s minds are full of purity and innocence, and therefore, they can produce endless amount of dreams with their infinite creativity. For instance, I could imagine my one friend who used to generate his new dream every time he experiences marvelous things. He said he want to become a billionaire after watching people owing a sports car while he determined to be a dictator of one country by realizing the actual power of the president. However, compelling innocent children to get through massive amount of household tasks will make them recognize the true difficulty of working and the merciless reality. This will negatively affect to their personality throughout the entire lifetime by dramatically reducing their self-assurance.

Lastly, constant exploitation of children will be a source of negative events between the family members. If the tasks are too difficult and challenging for the children to fulfill, there will be a high possibility for them to start to have bad mood upon their parents, especially for older children who are nearly adolescents. This ill feeling will soon change into a fury and violence towards their parents. Consequently, children will experience conflicts with their parents, like an older teenager does.

In brief, it’s unreasonable for the young kids to be deployed in order to carry out household tasks since those are only hindering children’s growth in several aspects. I believe that not only these reasons but also the fact that it’s actually the obligation of the parents to complete household tasks, especially for the housewife. In addition, if the parents really need enough manpower to finish all of the missions, they shouldn’t force their children, but should encourage and convince for the assistance.