



A Promise to Our Children



Although we aim to do our best, we aren't perfect. So please try to understand.

As your parents, it's our goal to never have a second agenda, an ulterior motive, or expect to be paid back — all we want is what's best for you. Period. That means that although we're not "cool" anymore, embedded in those recollections of the five-mile walks to school (uphill both ways), there are occasional lessons to be learned. Listen to us every once in a while — we may still know a thing or two about life, and we desperately want to share it with you.

We may not have all the answers, but I'm sure we can figure it out together. And since we've made our share of mistakes in life, learn from our missteps. Why run into the wall and get hurt when we've already "been there, done that"? And, if we're pushing you to live up to your potential or to be a better person, why put up a fight? Would you rather have parents who don't care?

We know that we get on your nerves sometimes. We know that it's your life to live.

But we wouldn't be doing our "job" if we didn't get under your skin every once in a while. That's what parents do. One thing we can promise. We will ALWAYS be in your corner rooting for you. We will ALWAYS put your needs before our own. And we will ALWAYS be there to pick up the pieces if things head south. Remember, no one will ever love you more than we do.

Being a parent is a tough job. We're not complaining. We wouldn't have it any other way. We are so blessed and honored to be your parents. But unfortunately, parents aren't issued an instruction manual. By the time we really figure out this parenting thing, you'll be all grown up having children of your own. . . . Now it's your turn.

