

Guaranteed-to-Fail Behavior Management Words

I'm waiting...

I'm counting...

Why did you do that?

Class, just ignore him/her.

You always act like this.

Now tell her you're sorry.

No, say it like you mean it!

Do I have to call your mother?

I can't wait to tell your parents.

Why should I believe you this time?

You should be ashamed of yourself!

How many times do I have to tell you?

I'm not going to warn you one more time.

How would you like it if I did that to you?

Just keep it up, and see where it gets you.

And, do you promise to never do this again?

I don't think you deserve a treat today, do you?

I like the way (another child's name) follows rules.

And, if you do it again, I'll keep taking away recess.

What do I have to do to make you follow the rules?

If you keep acting this way you'll end up in the office.

One thing I guarantee, if happens again, it'll be worse.

Guaranteed-to-Fail Behavior Management Strategies

Yell

Bully

Argue

Threaten

Humiliate

Be inconsistent

Blame the family

Loosely supervise

Engage in power struggles

Be vague with expectations

Use time-out inappropriately

Rely on negative consequences

Use positive feedback sparingly

Provide school work that's too easy

Provide school work that's too hard

Don't provide structure during transitions

Don't provide a needs-fulfilling environment

Don't practice and model expected behaviors

Don't spend time getting to know each student

Believe stickers and M&M's have magical powers

Impose illogical consequences (talking=take marbles)

Put students into behavioral bankruptcy (lost points)