

Education

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1. The education cannot be assigned to the school. A student is temporary. A child is forever.
2. The bedroom is no place for the child to be grounded in. No one can be grounded with internet, music, TV, etc.
3. To educate means to punish the actions resulting from wrong behavior. If they burned a "pataxo" Indian, the sentence (judicial conviction) must be to spend the whole day in a hospital for burned patients – *this is a reference to crimes committed in Brazil against Indians*.
4. Contrast what the child tells with the real truth. If they said that the teacher insulted them, you must go to the school and hear the other side of the story, in addition to hearing from witnesses.
5. Information is different from knowledge. The action of knowing comes after the action of being informed of something. Not everybody knows. To know the condom and not to use it means that one doesn't know about the protection provided by it.
6. The authority must be shared between the parents. Both must give orders. They cannot succumb to the child's wishes. The child doesn't want to eat? The mother cannot feed them. The child must wait until the next meal that the family is having. The child cannot change the rules of the house. The mother CANNOT interfere with the rules (and punishments) dictated by the father and vice versa. If the father says that they won't get candy, the mother cannot interfere. She must respect it or else she will raise a delinquent. In a home where there is food, the child won't starve. If they want to eat, they will know the time. And it is the adult that must say WHAT THE TIME IS for eating and what to eat.
7. The child must be capable of explaining to the parents the subject they studied and on which they are being examined. They cannot simply repeat the material by heart. They must understand it.
8. We have to produce as much as we can, because in life we cannot accept the average required in school. We cannot give 70% of ourselves, i.e., we cannot be graded 7.0 (out of 10.0).
9. Drugs and undesired pregnancy are trendy nowadays because adolescents are looking for pleasure. And pleasure is irresponsible, because that specific information, that drugs are bad for you, is not originating any knowledge.
10. The pregnancy is a biological success, and a failure of the sexual point of view.
11. Marijuana does not produce effects only when it is being used. Someone who is sober, but is addicted, is aggressive to the mother in order to leave the house and use the drug. The mother must then turn her back and not accept the aggressions. She

cannot argue and try to dissuade them from the idea. She must say that she won't talk to them and that is it. She must "abandon" them.

12. The mother is incapable of "abandoning" the child. If she could do it, the child would respect her. As they know that the mother is always there, they don't respect her.

13. A man doesn't like when the woman asks "So, how was your day?" The day, for the man, is over and he will only talk if there is something relevant. He doesn't want to remember all the facts of the day.

14. If the father gets upset because the child did something, he shouldn't raise his voice. He must say that he is upset and that, for this reason, he doesn't want to talk until he calms down. The calmness, the father should say, may come in 2, 3, 4 days. Meanwhile, the videogame, the going out, the clubbing, they all remain suspended, until the father calms down and applies the punishment due.

15. If the child could not learn by winning, they must learn by losing.

16. You must not promise a prize for the success that is their obligation. Getting good grades is an obligation. Not insulting the grandparents is an obligation. Being polite is an obligation. Entering college is an obligation. If they got a car for entering college, they will lose it if they drop out or fail in classes.

17. Who educates the child are the father and the mother. Grandparents cannot interfere with the grandchild's education in anyway whatsoever, ever. Opinions are not acceptable, ever.

18. Many mothers are insane. They must be treated (his words - meaning "this is what they say about you? So what?")

19. If the mother takes crap from the child, then the society will have to take it too.

20. Videogames are dangerous. Parents must explain how real life works. In real life, there are no "lives", but only one life. You cannot die and be resurrected. You cannot bet it all, then press the button and cancel the debt.

21. The teacher has to be a leader and inspire leadership. They cannot go to work just for going.

22. A father cannot exploit his child because of his own inability. "Son, type all this for me because I can't turn on the computer". The child has to teach him in order to learn how to be a leader. If the child teaches the leader (father), then he will also be a leader. The father has to learn how to use Skype, for in a world where calls are free through Skype, it is unacceptable for the father to pay for talking to his child that lives far away.

23. The most common mistake in the child's education is to place them at the top of the household. There is no hierarchy. The child cannot be the reason for a couple's life. The child is one of the elements. The couple has to place the child, at most, on the same level as them. The society pays the price when someone is raised thinking they are the center of the universe.

24. Drug addicted children are the ones who were always at the top of the family.

25. The child cannot give their opinion in adults' matters. If they want to give their opinion on which fridge to buy, they should know what the energy consumption (KWh) of the fridge they want is. If they want to say what the new house should be like, they must say how much this (their intended luxuries) will increase the final costs.

26. Money in excess for the child is harmful. You must control it and teach the child how to spend it.

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