**Positive Behavior Management in a Tutoring Environment**

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**Goals**:

Participants will be able to:

Describe 5 ways to positively re-focus a child’s attention

Demonstrate at least 5 ways to increase the active engagement of homework

State 3 ways to help a child reduce stress while doing homework

Demonstrate how to increase self efficacy by asking a child to reflect on their learning

**Color Group Activity:**

What behaviors do you see in the children you tutor that brought you to this workshop today?

What works in dealing with behaviors?

Write what works on a piece of chart paper.

**Strategies for dealing with behaviors positively**

1. Clear guidelines for the tutoring environment
2. Give the child some control.
3. Keep activities short. Use timers often.
4. Fold handouts to reduce the scope of the worksheet.
5. Create games.
6. Create active learning.
7. Build basic skills through concrete practice.

**Use reflection on learning to build self efficacy.**

**Game Examples:**

**For reading:**

Create a set of cards. Each on says something like : Read aloud together. Student reads. Tutor reads. Whisper read. Cry read. Read with a British accent. Laugh read. Read to a teddy bear. Pretend you are a famous person reading this. Read this like you think an actress would read it. Child turns over a card and reads that way for 3 minutes (egg timer). Or if child isn’t keen at all, then turn a card over for each page and get through the book that way.

**For math:**

Create a baseball game. When a child does a problem correctly he hits the ball and gets to move to first base. Then do another problem to get to second base. Etc. Try to score a certain number of runs in an amount of time - for example 5 minutes. If the child plans to score 5 points and makes it, then child gets another point. Having an actual baseball diamond drawn out on a white board or laminated board with players to move will help with the engagement in this game.

Or football - a row of problems is a touchdown. All correct is the one point kick.

**For reading.** Each book gains you a base in the baseball game.