

# You're a great parent even when...

...your son puts his shirt on inside out and his shoes on the "wrong" feet; your daughter wears her ballet tutu, sweatshirt, striped stockings, and purple boots to preschool, *AGAIN*.



It's OK to ignore the fashion faux pas. They're building self-esteem by dressing themselves and developing independence by making a choice that doesn't really matter in the grand scheme of things!

...your child hides behind your knee and acts shy when you ask him to talk to unfamiliar people.

Some children feel uncomfortable "performing" on cue. When the adults back off and he feels at ease, he'll open up.



...your child's idea of decorating cupcakes results in more icing and sprinkles than cake, and your kitchen looks like a bakery exploded!



Grab the opportunity to work with your child to clean up the mess. You'll teach him that cleaning up is part of baking plus you'll have the added benefit of watching your child's self-confidence soar!

Your day is filled with fun, easy teachable moments!

