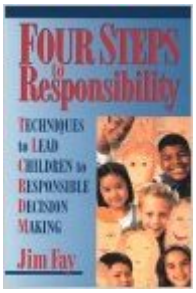
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Four Steps To Responsibility: Techniques To Lead Children To Responsible Decision Making



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Synopsis

Jim Fay shares the secret about why parents who are not afraid to allow their children to fail, raise young people who are independent, responsible decision-makers with high self-concepts. This tape presents strategies parents can use to equip children to handle todays problems and tomorrows challenges. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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as expected

Such wonderful steps to implement into raising children to think for themselves! I loved everything said and have slowly started working this into raising my own boys. It is a new way of thinking, so one small step at a time!

In my opinion, best CD from Love and Logic. Discusses in general their philospohy on leting children learn from their mistakes in a positive manner.

Not sure what the other reader was talking about. I am an agnostic so I am pretty aware of that kind of thing. I was also a teacher. Not only does Love and Logic work in the classroom but it does amazing things with my kids. I have 2 toddlers and I think the Love and Logic books and videos are an indespensible resource. It seems to me that the previous reviewer was just looking for a forum to rant about something totally unrelated to these books. He also wasn’t reviewing this book - I guess

some people will actually mislead people to try and get their voice heard. If click on "see my other reviews" under his name you will see that he has reviewed every book in the Love and Logic series with this rhetoric that is based on complete ignorance. Charles Fay and Foster Cline (founders of Love and Logic) are from Evergreen Colorado - not Colorado Springs and have nothing to do with the whole "family first" thing. There is no affiliation whatsoever. Again, not sure what the other reviewer was talking about - but it is a shame that he may turn people away from a resource that is the most effective tool I have come across to raise children who are responsible, able to make choices effectively, have great self-esteem, and to avoid all the arguments and power struggles that come with parenting.

First, this tape is fun. Fim Fay is an excellent speaker with a pleasant voice who describes the techniques through entertaining anecdotes. Second, and most important, the 4-step technqiue Jim Fay describes is logical and better yet, extremely effective. I searched a long time for techniques that helped me to parent in an effective way. I knew I didn't want to bark orders like a drill sergeant, plead like a wimp, but to communicate with love and still maintain firm boundaries needed for healthy development. This tape, as well as others from the Fay and Cline Love and Logic series, helped me learn techniques that help my children grow into responsible adults while maintaining my dignity, and allowing my children to maintain their dignity. I am a psychologist who teaches at a university. While I had knowledge of the psychological and behavioral principles that should help me to be an effective parent, I did not know how to put them into practice. When I listened to this tape and read the other Love and Logic books I knew these techniques would work! I use these techniques with my children, my students, my husband, supervisor and coworkers. Sound behavioral techniques work with anyone, and that's what the 4-steps to responsibility are.

As a L&L instructor for my school district, I have a distict affinity for the L&L philosophy. However, that does not mean I heartily recommend every tape. Four Steps to Responsibility, however, is a must have for parents who wish to prepare their kids for the real world. As a parent, it is instinctual to some degree to want to save our children from the pain and anguish that can occur during childhood: by either keeping our children from making (safe) mistakes, to rescuing them in order to make their life easier and to spare them pain. The authors do an excellent job of showing how we are stealing from our kids when we do this... The authors point out that the road to wisdom is paved with mistakes, as is the road to positive self-concept and self-esteem. Only by overcoming obstacles can the children feel confident enough to handle any challenge that comes his/her way. Only by

owning the problem can the child build the decision making skills that may one day keep him/her from getting in a car driven by a drunk friend-not because he/she knows that mom and dad don't know and can't get mad, but because he/she has a clear understanding about the connection between choice and consequence. Get this tape...it is great.

The tape is very insightful as well as extremely entertaining. I couldn't wait to get back in my car to hear more. Although the concepts are quite tough (most parents want to rescue their children) it is extremely helpful and most of all - FUN. I so enjoy watching my children problem solve and make decisions - coming up with solutions I had not thought about. Most of the time, they don't make the same mistake twice when they keep the problem on their backs. I have ordered more audiobooks in the Love and Logic series and even one I am donating to my kids school.

THIS CLEARLY DEMONSRATES THE "OBLIGATION" OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS TO PREPARE KIDS FOR THE REAL WORLD BY EXPERIENCING THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR ACTIONS INSTEAD OF ALWAYS RUNNING INTERFERENCE AND SENDING MESSAGES THAT STUNT GROWTH AND DEVELOP THE COMMON "IT'S NOT MY FAULT" ATTITUDE THAT IS SO PREVASIVE AND DESTRUCTIVE TODAY. I BELIEVE EVERY PRINCIPAL IN THE COUNTRY SHOULD HAVE THIS TAPE AND INCORPORATE ITS IDEAS AND PHILOSPHIES INTO THEIR SCHOOLS.

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