Make Time to Listen...Take Time to Talk?

The best thing you can give your children is time. By taking time to listen to your children, you can get to know more about your family by honestly answering questions and carefully listening to the replies. Here are a few questions to get the dialogue started. After using these, try making up some conversation starters on your own.

- 1. If you could write a book, what kind of book would it be?
- 2. Would you rather be rich or happy? Explain your choice.
- 3. Do you learn more when you win or when you lose?
- 4. Which of the following is the most important quality in a person: good looks, a sense of humor, loyalty, or talent? Why?
- 5. If you had to lose one of your senses, which would it be? Why?
- 6. If you could sit down with one person in the world for a conversation, who would it be? Why?
- 7. If you get mad at someone at school/work what would you do?
- 8. What do you do during lunch?

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- 9. What one room in your house would you change and how?
- 10. What three things make a person popular in your school/at work?
- 11. If you could change one physical thing about yourself, what would it be?
- 12. Where would you go, if you could travel anywhere in the world?
- 13. Would you rather be good looking, smart, or athletic? Why?
- 14. What was the best thing that happened to you today?
- 15. What is a skill you wish you had? Why?
- 16. What is your favorite sport? Why?
- 17. What makes you angry?
- 18. What makes you scared?
- 19. If you could be any animal, what would you be and why?
- 20. What makes you laugh?
- 21. What do you love about school/work?
- 22. What do you hate about school/work?

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