

Elementary Recognition and Reinforcer Ideas

Helper/Assistant in Class or Around School

Classroom

1. Pass out materials or assist in teaching a lesson
2. Feed the class pet
3. Lead the Pledge or a class activity, lesson, game, etc.
4. Messenger: Make deliveries to/from other areas on campus (i.e., attendance, other paperwork)
5. Line leader or caboose

Office

1. Assist in the front office (e.g. sorting mail, running errands, etc.)
2. Principal's Apprentice for 15 minutes
3. Read the morning announcements
4. Show a new student around school

Specials and/or Other Classrooms (e.g., art, music, gym, library)

1. Library/Media or Specials Teacher Assistant
2. Visit another classroom
3. Mentor or assist a student in another class or grade
4. Learn how to do something 'special' from the computer, art, music, or PE teacher

Other School Settings for Upper Grade-Level Students

1. Help in school store or other areas on campus
2. Assist in the lunchroom or help the custodian
3. Help in another class (Read to younger students, help with math, 'teach' a lesson, etc.)

First Pick/First Choice in Class

1. Select the classroom activity, story, order of assignments, game at PE/recess, etc.
2. Get books or work materials (e.g., markers, paper, scissors, etc.)
3. Seat in class, assembly, lunchroom, etc.
4. Position in lunch line, recess, bus, etc.
5. Class job for the week
6. 'Center' or 'Reading Buddy'

Individual and/or Group Reinforcers

1. Sit, stand, lie down anywhere in class during story time or independent seat work
2. Wear slippers in class on designated day or remove shoes in class for a period
3. Wear a favorite hat during one work period
4. Work by class pet/ have class pet's cage on desk
5. Keep a stuffed animal in your desk
6. Use headphones and listen to music while working
7. Draw on white/chalkboard when work is completed
8. Get a drink from the "cold water" fountain
9. Take home a 'special' classroom item (game, class pet, book from teacher's personal library, etc.)
10. Sit near the teacher or friend or eat lunch with the teacher or friend
11. Use teacher's chair in student's area for 15 minutes

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12. Complete assignment at teacher's desk
13. Sit in rocking chair during story time
14. Accompany another student to a fun activity
15. Read in a quiet/special area or read to the class
16. Design classroom bulletin board
17. Select a friend as a 'study-buddy'
18. Listen to books-on-tape with headphones
19. Listen to music with headphones
20. Play non-academic computer games

Classroom Academic/Curricular Reinforcers

1. Record a story instead of writing it
2. Illustrate a story while teacher is reading
3. Write a story and read it to the class or read teacher-selected story to the class
4. Print study flash cards from the computer
5. Extra-trip to the library
6. Extra 'tutor time' with the teacher
7. Select writing utensil (pen, marker, pencil, etc.) to complete assignment
8. Select where and/or with whom to complete your work (desk/table; Friend/alone)
9. Extra credit on an assignment or homework
10. Coupon for 'free' test answer
11. Extra day to complete assignment
12. 'No Homework' passes
13. Select homework problem to delete from assignment
14. Complete assignment on the computer

Individual and/or Class Public Recognition

1. Class applause at the end of the day for meeting classroom expectations
2. Congratulate student in the front of the class or share his/her achievements
3. 'Excellent Behavior' sign for student's yard
4. Display banner in class with students' names, pictures, and expectations met
5. Achievement awards, plaques, ribbons, certifications, badges
6. Students' pictures with friends on scrolling picture frame
7. Students named on morning announcements
8. Students' pictures posted in front hallway for exceptionally meeting SW expectations

Private Recognition

1. Send positive note to preferred adult (school or home) about student's appropriate behavior
2. Positive phone call home or let student call parent/family members to share positive behavior
3. Note of recognition from the Principal
4. Agreed upon 'signal' shared with student to support meeting expectations

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Whole Class/Group Reinforcement

1. Reading Party: Students bring sleeping bags and read favorite books or go to gym or outside to read
2. Watch a video instead of having recess
3. "Fun Friday": Watch a movie, play games, etc.
4. Listen to music while working
5. Dance to favorite music
6. Eat lunch outside
7. 5 extra minutes for lunch, recess, share time, etc.
8. "Walking" class trip around school
9. 5-minute "chat break" at the end of the day or a class
10. Play a game with a friend last 5 minutes of class

School-Wide Privileges

1. Extra hallway pass
2. 'Free Pass' for a front row seat at a sports event, school activity, etc.
3. Tardy Pass
4. 'No' Party for tardies, absences, referrals, etc.
5. Eat lunch or play a game with a preferred adult (Principal, Counselor, Custodian, PE Coach, etc.)
6. Special lesson from a Specials Teacher of your choice (e.g., Art, PE, Science, Computer, etc.)
7. Walk to class with a friend, sit with a friend at lunch or in an assembly
8. Free pass to elementary/middle school students to attend a middle/high school event

School-Wide Reinforcers

1. Gift certificate to school store, book fair, etc.
2. Movie, zoo, museum coupon
3. Art and/or school supplies (markers, paper, glitter, rules, colored pencils, erasers, etc.)
4. "Gotcha" coupons for lottery drawing
5. Coupons/tickets to the 'treasure box' or school store
6. PE specific items: Frisbee, hula hoop, jump rope, etc.

Whole Group Reinforcers for Specials Classes/Subjects

1. **Art** = Golden Paintbrush: 'Being Responsible Following Directions'
2. **Cafeteria** = Golden Spatula: 'Being Safe Cleanest Area' at dismissal
3. **Classroom** = Golden Trash Can: 'Showing Respect Neatest Classroom' at *(given by Custodian)*
4. **Computer** = Golden Mouse: 'Being Responsible by Staying On-Task'
5. **Library** = Shelf Elf: 'Showing Respect Quietest Class'
6. **Music** = Gold or Platinum Record: 'Being Responsible Most Participation'
7. **PE/Gym** = Golden Whistle: 'Being Respectful Excellent Sportsmanship'
8. **Spanish** = Golden Maracas: 'Most Respectful Being Attentive'