



100 Ways to Say Very Good

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Children thrive in a climate of love, so give your child plenty of praise, warmth, and physical signs of affection. Children need pats, smiles, and approval. Look for good behavior you want to strengthen, then say “very good” to children in various ways. Here are some suggestions:

I'm proud of the way you worked today.
You're doing a good job.
You've just about got it.
That's the best you have ever done.
That's it!
Congratulations!
I knew you could do it.
That's quite an improvement.
How you've figured it out!
You are doing that much better today.
Now you have it.
Not bad.
Great!
You are learning fast.
Keep working on it; you're getting better.
Good for you!
Couldn't have done it better myself.
You make it look easy.
You really make my job fun.
That's the right way to do it.
One more time, and you'll have it.
You're getting better every day.
You did it that time!
That's not half bad!
Wow!
That's the way!
Nice going.
Now you've figured it out.
Sensational!
You haven't missed a thing.
That's the way to do it.
Keep up the good work.
That's better.

You are very good at that.
That's GOOD!
Congratulations. You got it right.
You've got your brain in gear today.
Much better!
Wonderful!
You've just about mastered that!
That's better than ever.
Nice going.
Outstanding!
Now that's what I call a fine job!
You did that very well.
You must have been practicing!
Fantastic!
You're doing beautifully.
You're really improving.
Right on!
Superb!
Good remembering!
Keep it up!
You did a lot of work today!
You've got that down pat!
You certainly did well today.
Tremendous!
You're doing fine.
Good thinking!
You are really learning a lot.
Keep on trying!
You outdid yourself today!
I've never seen anyone do it better.
Good for you!
Good going!
I like that.





Nothing can stop you now!
That's first-class work.
Excellent!
Perfect!
That's the best ever.
You're really going to town!
Fine!
Way to go!
Now you have the hang of it!
You're really working hard today.
Good work!
That's very much better!
That's coming along nicely.
You've got it made. That's right!
You're on the right track now!
I'm happy to see you working like that
Awesome!

Marvelous!
I'm very proud of you.
That's a good (boy or girl).
I think you've got it now.
Good job, (name of child).
You figured that out fast.
You remembered.
That's really nice.
It's a pleasure to teach when you work like that.
You're right!
Clever!
That makes me feel good.
That's great!
That's it!
Way to go.
Well, look at you go!
Terrific!

