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A Father's Role

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Take Time to Be A Dad Today



Challenge Gender Norms

- Explore/acknowledge our own lived experiences with gender norms and expectations.
- Pass on healthy and positive lessons from your childhood.
- Challenge gender norms.
- Hold ourselves and others accountable.



Practice Communication Skills

- Have ongoing open, honest conversations with your partner and children.
- Discuss expectations, roles, and responsibilities.
- Build emotional intelligence.
- Use non-violent communication.
- Access mental healthcare.



Be a Role Model and Mentor

- > Seek out mentors.
- Be a role model for your children and other fathers.
- Share your fathering successes and failures.
- Mentor other fathers.
- Find a community of fathers.



Promote Gender Equity

- Work to dismantle harmful notions of masculinity.
- Practice allyship with girls and women.
- > Take collective action.
- Seek ongoing education and self-reflection.
- Join networks like the TX Men SPEAK and NAMEN.



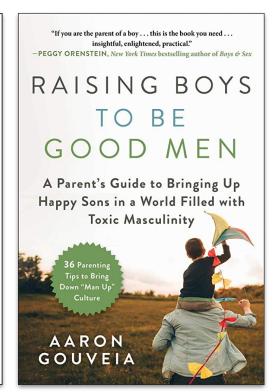
Best Practices for Fatherhood Engagement

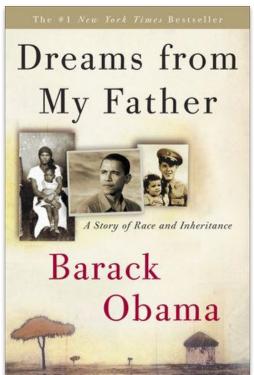
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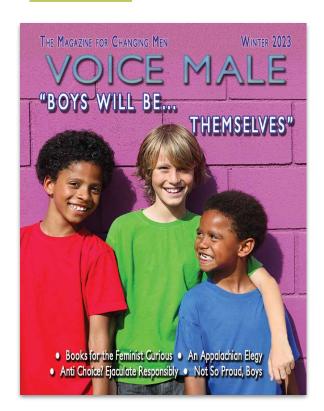
Engaging Fathers: Books

Help w/ Homework Cook Dinner Provide for Family Laundry Groceries Role Model Equity Repair Sink Allow Vulnerability **Equal Partners Improving Gender Equality at Home** Kate Mangino Walk the Dog Be authentic





Engaging Fathers: Media





Engaging Fathers: Podcasts







Engaging Fathers: Organizations









Thank You!

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