Verbal Encouragement

- “You are working so hard on…”
- “You must feel proud of yourself for…”
- “Thank you for helping me…”
- “What a great listener you are, you…”
- “Great job remembering to…”
- “That’s a cool way to…”
- “Way to go! You _____ all by yourself!”
- “You almost have it! You can…”
- “You are being a helper when you…”
- “Your brother/sister looks so happy when you…”
- “You are really growing up because you…”
- “You were so patient when you…”
- “That’s a great idea! Look at you…”
- “Excellent job using your problem solving to…”
- “WOW!! What a fabulous job you’ve done of…”

Nonverbal encouragement also works! Try…

- Giving a hug
- A thumbs up or wink
- Clapping
- Using a special hand shake
- Smiling
- Imitating gestures, words or sounds
- A happy dance

Favorites to Try…