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Tips On Becoming A Good Homework Helper

(NAPSA)—You may be able to give yourself a good grade as a homework helper after you follow these simple tips:

- Set a schedule, including both a beginning and an ending time. Most kids need some time to unwind after school before they tackle their homework. Doing it too close to bedtime may not be a good idea either.
- Use "Grandma's Rule." This is related to the no dessert until you are finished with your spinach. Hold off on watching TV and other fun activities until homework is completed.
- Provide a comfortable workspace for your child with adequate light and few distractions. If your child uses a computer often, wrist support is a good idea. Fellowes offers the new Geometrix line of wrist support accessories, including a gel mouse pad, gel wrist rest and gel flex rest.
- Make sure the homework space is organized with plenty of sturdy and comfortable accessories. The latest offering in ergonomic category from Fellowes is a MetalWorks line, which offers contemporary styled accessories such as a monitor stand, an all-in-one workstation, a desktop copyholder and more. Remember, it's important that the monitor be at the right height. If your keyboard or



The workspace your child studies in should have good light and few distractions.

the desk is too high, consider an under-desk keyboard manager.

- Encourage your child to divide the homework assignment into "What I can do myself" and "What I need help with."
- Be available when your child is doing homework, so that you can answer a question if there is confusion.

Finally, be sure to look over the homework when it is completed. Do not correct it unless you have checked with the teacher. Seeing the pattern of errors is often helpful to a teacher.

For more information and tips on setting up a homework space, visit fellowes.com.