

Connection Plan

Are you working with a child who is 'attention seeking'? At Phoenix Support, we call that 'connection seeking'. And we have a plan! Positive reinforcement and rewards charts are SO last century! It's time to create a chart that will actually work.

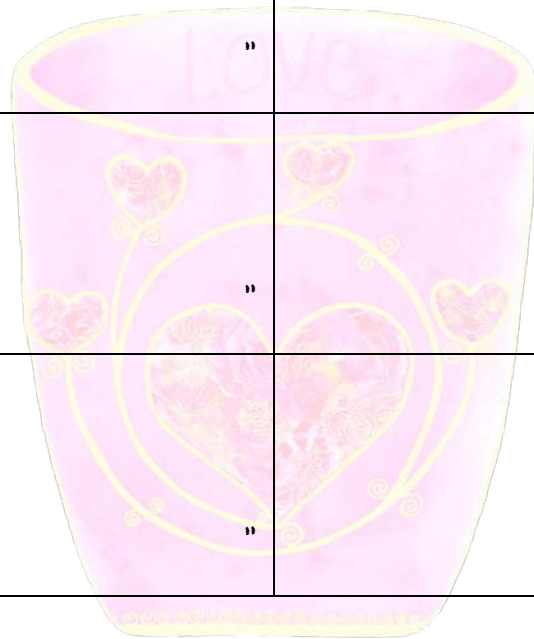
If you like rewards, give yourself one. Every time you connect with a child, you fill their *Love, Belonging and Connection Cup* (see *The Phoenix Cups* © for more info). Give yourself a sticker / colour in the square / put a big love heart in it / cross it off. Whatever works for you. Get four in a row and give yourself a pat on the back for your awesome teaching efforts. Challenge yourself to complete the whole chart in a day - and watch the 'attention seeking' behaviours disappear. You've got this!

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| Laugh together | Play together | Sustained shared interaction | Discuss a shared interest |
| High Five | Hug or touch | Secret Handshake | Sit together |
| Smile - and mean it | Thumbs up | Wave | Look delighted |
| Say what you see and ask a question | Acknowledge (e.g. effort or persistence) | Congratulate or say Thanks | Actively listen |

Once you've completed the Connection Plan, you're ready to free-style it. This time, use the chart on the next page and write your own cup filling plan OR use the chart to document actions AFTER you've done them. Write what you said, what you did, what you shared. What worked? What REALLY worked? What can you do the same or differently tomorrow? Rinse and repeat.

-----'s Cup Filling Plan

| Love Cup filling gestures | Love Cup filling statements | Love Cup filling interactions | Love Cup filling decisions |
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