

Lots of Ways to Say "Good for You!"

Everyone knows that a little praise goes a long way in any classroom. However, a "little praise" really needs to be something more than the same few phrases repeated over and over. Your students need more than the traditional "Good Job," "Good," "Very Good," and "Awesome" . . . if you want them notice and feel encouraged. Here are some additional possibilities. Plan to use some of these and they will more likely become part of your "repertoire" of encouragement.

That's really nice.

Wow!

I like the way you're working hard.

Much better.

It's a pleasure to teach when you work like this.

What neat work!!

This kind of work pleases me very much.

That's right! Good for you.

I bet your Mom and Dad would be proud to see the job you did on this.

Thank you for (sitting down, being quiet)

I like the way "Sam" is working.

How Impressive!!

That's great work!!

"Sue" is waiting quietly.

"Mary" is paying attention.

That's clever.

Very interesting.

That's an interesting way of looking at it.

That's the right answer.

Exactly right.

Superior work.

That's an interesting point of view.

You've got it now.

Now you've got the hang of it.

You make it look easy.

I like the way you've settled down.

That is coming along nicely.

Wow! That's great!!

Thank you very much.

Thank you for raising your hand, "Jim."

Keep up the good work.

That's quite an improvement.

Keep it up.

Excellent work.

You really outdid yourself.

Congratulations.

Beautiful.

Terrific.

I'm proud of the way you worked today.

I appreciate your help.

Marvelous.

Yes!!!!

You're right on track.

It looks like you put a lot of work into this.

Very creative

Good thinking.

Super.

That's a good point.

That is certainly one way of looking at it.

That's incredible.

How extraordinary!

Far Out!

Outstanding performance.

I can't get over it!

Amazing effort!

Well done.

You're a joy.

Wonderful.

Marvelous.

Phenomenal!

Superb!

Cool!

Right on!

Sharp!

You're special.

Way to go!

Thumbs up!

You tried hard.

Your help counts.

You made it happen.

Bravo!

You've made progress.

You should be proud.

Great imagination!

What a great idea.

Take a bow.

Very brave!

How thoughtful.

Nice going.

You deserve a (star, hug, cookie, treat).

Breathtaking!

Remarkable.

You're a winner!

Sing a fanfare tune "da, da, da, daaaaa"