# TURN NEGATIVE LABELS INTO POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

#### WHEN WE TELL OUR CHILDREN:

"DON'T BE SO BOSSY!"

"WHY ARE YOU SO MESSY?"

"STOP BEING SO SENSITIVE..."



#### WHAT THEY LEARN IS:

"I'M BOSSY."

"I'M MESSY."

"I'M SENSITIVE."

THESE LABELS BECOME THEIR INNER VOICE.

## ♦ HERE'S HOW TO REFRAME

- → SHY → TAKES THEIR TIME TO KNOW SOMEONE
- MESSY → CREATIVE
- SENSITIVE, EMOTIONAL → EMPATHETIC
- DEMANDING → ASSERTIVE
- RIGID → ORGANIZED
- PICKY → SELECTIVE
- WILD → ENERGETIC

- → QUIET → THOUGHTFUL, CONSIDERATE
- STUBBORN → PERSISTENT
  - BOSSY → HAS LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- ▲ LOUD → ENTHUSIASTIC
- DRAMATIC → EXPRESSIVE
  - NERVOUS, FEARFUL THOUGHTFUL, CAREFUL

### BONUS TIP

If your child struggles with self-image, ask them what they like about themselves and turn it into their daily affirmations (they'll be more likely to stick).

"I AM FUNNY."

"I AM GREAT AT LEARNING NEW THINGS."



