

WHEN YOU GROW UP

What fun it is to pretend that we're a grown-up and decide what we want to be when we grow up. This book gives lots of ideas about what we want to be "when you grow up".

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This book gives you lots of ideas about how to talk with your child about the many different ways of growing....not just what they want to be when they grow up but also how much they've grown already and how much more they'll grow in the future. You can talk about how much taller they are than they were before. How do they know? Have they outgrown any clothing?

You might make a list of all the things they have learned to do recently. You could also start a record of the children's physical growth, by hanging strips of paper on the wall that show their height. Make sure to measure every few months so see their progress. Through it all, it can be very helpful to stress the fact that inside growing is the most important of all.

As you read this book about what they may want to do when they grow up, be sure to tell them that no matter how big they get, you'll always love them and be proud of the wonderful things that they can do.