

PUNITIVE VS LOGICAL CONSEQUENCES

Punitive Consequences



Assumes behavior is about doing bad.

Done TO the child.

Adult is in control of child's behavior and the outcome of the child's decisions.

Goal is to enforce compliance.

Increased power struggles.

Element of blame and shame.

Teaches fear, resentment, anger, and deception.

Reactive to the current situation.

Teaches child to avoid getting caught.

VS

Logical Consequences



Assumes behavior is form of communication.

Done WITH the child.

Child is in control of fixing their mistakes and future decisions.

Goal is to develop skills to learn how to fix mistakes and make changes to their behavior.

Decreased power struggles.

Respects the child's dignity.

Teaches responsibility, accountability, and problem-solving skills.

Proactive to current and future situations.

Leads to better problem solving skills and better relationships.

