

# Parenting for the Launch

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# Session One: Parenting Perspectives



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# Session One

## Main Points

- Parenting *style* influences parenting *outcomes*
- Training according a child's unique wiring reaps huge rewards
- Successful parenting requires intentionality in our objectives and methods
- Our goal is to release an eagle destined to soar

# For Next Time...

- Session Two: “One of a Kind”
- Read: *Parenting for the Launch* chapters 5 and 6

# Session Two: One of a Kind



# Session Two

## Main Points

- Valuing our child's uniqueness is key to successful relationship building
- Being a student of our child's personality improves understanding and communication
- Parents should play a leadership role in promoting self discovery
- One of the greatest gifts is affirming our child's worth and potential

# For Next Time...

- Session Three: “How to Talk to Your Teenager”
- Read: *Parenting for the Launch* chapters 7 and 8

# Session Three: How to Talk to Your Teenager



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# Session Three

## Main Points

- The teen years offer unique challenges as children become influenced by other voices
- By building strong “relationship capital,” parents create a platform of mutual trust
- Our communication methods must adapt to our children’s growth and maturity
- By recruiting positive third party voices, parents extend their team and build up their children

# For Next Time...

- Session Four: “College and Career”
- Read: *Parenting for the Launch* chapters 3 and 4

# Session Four: College and Career



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## Main Points

- By building leadership qualities and life skills (i.e., a Personal Leadership Foundation), parents can raise “real world ready” kids
- Children need to master the academic, work, and social transitions they’ll face after the launch
- Parents can play an important *advisory* role in helping their children make well informed college and career decisions

# For Next Time...

- Session Five: “Off to a Great Launch”
- Read: *Parenting for the Launch* chapters 9 and 10

# Session Five: Off to a Great Launch



*The greatest gifts you can give your children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence.*

**~Denis Waitley**

# Session Five

## Main Points

- Prior to the launch, parents need to move from the driver's seat to the passenger seat
- We prepare teens for independence by increasingly treating them as adults
- Proper preparation can help them avoid the most common “derailers” after leaving home
- What they need from us is unconditional love, belief, affirmation, an open door, grace, and realistic expectations



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