

LOVE & LOGIC-COMPATIBLE ONE-LINERS

Making them think

What do you think?

What do you think I think?

You might not want your friends to hear what I have to say - let's talk about this later.

I make bad decisions when I'm angry, so I'm going to cool off and then tell you my decision.

Redirecting behavior

What might happen if you keep doing that?

Just because I like you, should I let you get away with that?

Where could you do that and not get in trouble?

Could you save that for Mr. Bell's class? Thanks!

Would you be willing to ... ?

How much longer do you think you'll do that?

Arguing & Noncompliance

That could be.

Probably so.

This sounds like an argument. I will be happy to let you continue this at one of the set times. Which one would be best for you?

Did I ask in a nice way?

Loud voices, tirades, etc.

Do you think I listen better when people are talking to me in a quiet or loud voice?

Do you think I listen better when people are calm or agitated?

Promoting independence

Are you sure you need to ask me that? ("Teacher, can I have a piece of tape?")

What do you think you will do? ("Teacher, I don't have a pencil...")

Would you like to hear what some other kids have tried?