

## Classroom Jobs

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I, too, struggled with which jobs to include on my board during my first year of teaching, and often I would think of jobs to add throughout the year. A few general suggestions: 1. ask other teachers in your school, because many of your jobs will be specific to the school routines that exist already (i.e. table washers in cafeteria, etc.) 2. make the kids do as much as possible to save yourself some work! 3. think about keeping the kids busy with jobs at arrival and dismissal so they have a purpose during these potentially rowdy times of the school day! I generally include some or all of the following jobs: lunch counter, homework checker, messenger, paper filers (for passing out papers), paper collectors, board cleaners, coatroom cop (for monitoring coatroom behavior). As far as the "theme" idea goes, I'm not sure exactly what you mean. However, if you are referring to beginning of the year bulletin boards welcoming students, leave it up at least until October, and then change them every couple of months. Hope this info. helps!