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Behavior in First Grade

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I teach first grade this is what I use for behavior --- I have a section on the wall with a red and white table cloth. Each student has a paper plate and pictures of food (they colored). In a bag I have black ants if they misbehave they have to put an ant on their plate. I send home a sheet in their homework folders, letting the parents know if they received any ants. The student can only get 3 ants. After 3 ants they have to loose some p.e. time or their talking time.

I give rewards/praises to my students. Many children have parents who do not show any or much affection. When a student comes to me and asks me how I like something. I make a big deal out of it. The look in those eyes make me feel so good, when they hear how I love what they did. When I see a student who is doing something right, I praise them for that too.

When I taught 5th grade I used a system for grades that could work for behavior. I called it the 500 club.Every student had a card with 25 squares. For every 100 the student would get in Spelling, they put a sticker on a square. With 5 squares the student would receive a special coupon to use in the class. The class as a whole had to get 100 squares (I used a 1-100 chart to keep up with this). When we reached 100, we had a special day. For example, the students could wear their slippers to school. At the very end of the year, the last special thing I did was give a pizza party for the class.

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