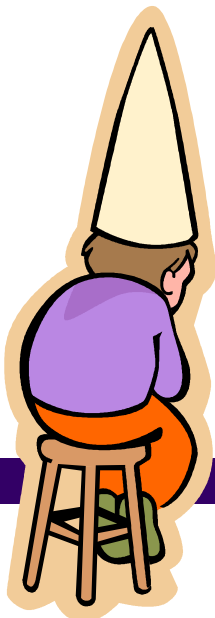


# ALTERNATIVES TO PUNISHMENT

- ◆ Express strong disapproval through candid communication.
- ◆ State their expectations in advance of and following the behavior.
- ◆ Give the youth choices for behavior and information about the rewards or consequences of each behavior.
- ◆ Take action, but not punitive action.
- ◆ Allow the young person to experience the consequences of the negative behavior.
- ◆ Catch their child “doing something good” and reward him or her for this positive behavior.



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