# Parent's Playbook: Motivate a LEADER

From "I don't know" to "let's go!": the cheat sheet every parent needs





Let me guess:

Your teen is like I was at 16—bursting with ideas, but scattered.

One week it's "I want to travel the world!"...

The next, "Maybe I'll start a YouTube channel?"...

And by Friday, "I don't know, Mom. Just leave me alone."

You're watching your kid, maybe fresh out of school, maybe still figuring it all out, and you're wondering, 'Where's the fire?'

I've been there.

At 15, I was convinced I was going to be a rockstar.

By 30, I was crying on a street corner.

Wondering how I'd lost 15 years.

I had the music, the films, even the degrees—but no direction.

Just a 9-to-5 that drained me.

Sound familiar?

Here's the thing: it wasn't about talent or hard work.

It was about **cracking the code to real motivation**.

Not the kind they teach in school, but the kind that lights a fire and keeps it burning.

You're about to get that code.

In the next few pages, you'll find specific, actionable tips to understand what truly drives your child, based on their unique profile.

No lectures—just the kind of straight talk I wish someone had given me years ago.

Let's get started.



# Speak their language

You know that feeling when your kid just stares at their screen, lost in a world of endless scrolling?

Or when they start a project, only to abandon it halfway through? That's not laziness.

It's a sign they haven't found their spark.

Remember when you were their age?

Maybe you had a dream, a passion, something that made you feel alive.

Now, think about your kid.

Are they living that feeling?

If not, why?

Maybe they're afraid of judgement, like I was.

Maybe they're waiting for someone.

To give them permission to chase their dreams.

### That's where you come in.

You're not just a parent; you're their guide.

And this guide will show you how to **lead them to their own 'aha'** moment.

And let's talk about those conversations that go nowhere.

You know, the ones where you try to give advice,

and they just roll their eyes?

It's not that they don't value your opinion.

It's that you're speaking a different language.



In this guide, you'll learn how to communicate with them on their level, using **their unique motivational language**.

Trust me, it makes a world of difference.

Now, before we dive into the specifics of personalized motivation, let's explore some universal truths.

No matter if your child is driven by a desire for **recognition**, a need for **autonomy**, or a deep-seated **passion** for a specific subject, there are core principles that ignite the human spirit.

So, turn the page, and let's unlock the fundamental keys to unlocking anyone's motivation

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Now, I empower teens to **design** their **futures** using storytelling. Where traditional motivation fails with **Gen Z**, my cinematic approach speaks **their language**.





# 7 ways to kill EVERY child's motivation

(don't try these at home!)

Do you want to watch your kid stop putting in any effort?

Here are surefire ways to crush their spirit (that you should totally avoid):

# 1. Jump in and take over their problems

Rushing to fix everything for them says "I don't think you can handle this."

### 2. Compare them to other kids

"Why can't you be more like Jessica? She's captain of three teams, speaks four languages, AND volunteers at the animal shelter!"

This is the fastest way to make your child stop trying.

They hear: "You're not good enough as you are."

### 3. Point out their mistakes in front of others

Announcing "Guess who failed their driving test again?" at the family barbecue is a fantastic way to ensure they'll never share anything with you again.

# 4. Break your own rules

Telling them to put their phone away while you're glued to yours sends a clear message: rules are for them, not you.

They'll follow what you do, not what you say.



# 5. Only care about perfect results

When a B+ is met with "Why not an A?" they learn that trying hard means nothing unless they're perfect.

Soon they'll stop trying at all.

# 6. Stalk them like they're celebrities

Check their location every 15 minutes, text them constantly, and monitor their every move or standing over them while they do homework. This tells them you don't trust them one bit.

### 7. Mock their interests

"That TikTok dance looks ridiculous" or "Video games are rotting your brain" are excellent phrases if you want to ensure they never share their passions with you again.

### The truth?

Teens are like plants growing toward adulthood.

They need some space to stretch, even if they bend in weird directions sometimes.

**Give them room to make mistakes** while you're still around to help pick up the pieces!



# What's next? Let's get specific.

In the next section, we'll dive into your child's unique profile. You'll discover:

- 1. Their **hidden motivators** (hint: it's not what schools reward).
- 2. The **exact phrases** that make them tune out vs. lean in.
- 3. How to turn their "I don't know" into "I can do this!"

Spoiler: This isn't about forcing them into a mold. It's about building a bridge between who they are and who they could be.

→ Turn the page, to learn more about your child.

**P.S**. Feel like you've tried it all and nothing works? Let me prove there's another way.



# Your child is a LEADER 🌟



If your teen is the one organizing the group project, stepping up during family discussions, and somehow getting their friends to actually listen to them, you're raising a Leader.

While others wait for direction, your Leader is already mapping out a vision and bringing people along.

They're driven by impact — not just for themselves, but for the people and causes they care about.

Leaders don't seek control — they seek impact.

Their assertiveness isn't about power; it's their way of making meaningful change happen in their world.



# **Key traits of a LEADER**

**Natural connector** — They instinctively build bridges between different people and ideas

**Voice of influence** — When they speak, people tend to listen and follow their suggestions

**Vision seekers** — They see possibilities where others see obstacles

**Problem solvers** — Challenges excite them; they see roadblocks as opportunities for solutions.

**Confident communicators** — They know how to express ideas clearly and rally others behind a shared goal.

**Team builders** — They recognize strengths in others and know how to bring out the best in people

**Responsibility takers** — They step up when things get tough, often shouldering more than their share

# Here's the hidden danger:

An unsupported Leader can become an adult who struggles with collaboration — either dominating every room they enter or becoming disillusioned when their leadership style creates resistance rather than results.



# How to motivate your LEADER

A Leader's natural drive to take charge is a gift — but without guidance, it can backfire. They might push too hard, struggle to collaborate, or grow frustrated when others don't follow. Your job? Help them refine their leadership skills without dimming their confidence.

# 1. Provide meaningful leadership opportunities.

- Instead of: "Stop trying to boss everyone around."
- **Try:** "How would you organize this project so everyone feels included?"

## 2. Encourage collaborative leadership.

- Instead of: "Let others speak too."
- **Try:** "How can you make sure everyone's ideas are heard? Great leaders create space for others."

### 3. Shift their focus from control to influence.

- Instead of: "Not everyone wants a leader."
- **Try:** "How can you inspire people to follow your ideas, not just tell them what to do?"

### 4. Celebrate emotional intelligence, not just authority.

- Recognize when they show empathy, listen actively, or support someone else's leadership moment.
- Reinforce that leadership isn't about always being in charge it's about building trust and inspiring growth.



# Why most Leaders get stuck

Does this sound familiar?

- X Your teen sometimes comes across as bossy or controlling when working with others
- They get frustrated when people don't follow their lead or understand their vision
- X You worry they might alienate peers by always taking charge, or burn out from taking on too much

# From insight to action

(...Because motivation without a plan is just wishful thinking)

Look, I've been where your teen is. Let me tell you a story I've never shared before.

When I was 21, I tried to start a band. Not just any band—a "fusion" of rap and folk music (yes, really). I dragged my friends into rehearsals, wrote lyrics about existential dread and skateboards, and even booked a gig at a café.

The night of the show?

Two people showed up. My mom... and the barista who just wanted us to wrap up so he could close.

I blamed everyone: "People don't get my vision!"

But the truth? I didn't get me. I was throwing spaghetti at the wall, hoping something would stick. Sound familiar?



Here's the reality:

# Motivation is the spark but not the engine.

Your teen could light up with ideas, but without
☑ <del>motivation,</del>
☐ self-awareness,
☐ goal-setting skills,
☐ financial literacy,
<ul> <li>personal branding,</li> </ul>
$\square$ skills of negotiation,
☐ time management
they'll stall before the finish line.
What they need is a <b>12-week plan</b> — custom-built for helping them
visualize their ideal future and take the steps to achieve it.
Your two options:
■ Keep guessing → Cross your fingers they'll "figure it out" while wasting €20K on degrees they'll hate.
2 Take control → 90 days to prevent 10 years of struggle.  (Hint: One option involves way less gray hair)

# **CLICK HERE TO**

# Book your free 30-min strategy call

Let's create your child's success blueprint.



# What will we do on the call?

We'll plan their next **12 weeks**, step by step:

- Discover their profit-worthy passion → what they love and the world will pay for
- 2. **Design unfailable goals** → tiny, 100% achievable tasks
- 3. **Build an inspiring environment** → remove distractions, engage with inspiring people

Click to book your call now and get the PLAN!

**P.S.** If you want to make a real difference for your kid, this is your moment. One day, they'll thank you.