

Blessing Notes

Best Use

To celebrate all the special dads that God has placed in your life—single dads; dads with a full house of kids; dads with one child; dads who have adopted; foster dads; spiritual dads; stepdads; and granddads.

Value

Teaching kids to express their appreciation for the dads in their lives through writing a note or drawing a picture. Affirm the value of fatherhood for all the special "dads" that God has placed in your life.

Advance Preparation

- Assemble supplies to write notes or make cards (paper, pens/pencils, envelopes, colored pencils, markers, etc.)
- If you have children who cannot yet write, encourage them to draw a picture to express their appreciation.

Game Plan

Write a blessing note to affirm the value of fatherhood for dad, granddad, or other significant men in your life. Use the samples below to give you ideas for your blessing notes:

 Husband: Tell him that you respect and admire his masculine qualities—including hard work, character, and the ways he gives of himself. Sample language:

You are a good man who tries to do the right thing in different situations and I want you to know how much I admire you for that. (Try to give a specific example.) I appreciate you and all you do. I am proud to call you my husband.

 Dad: Express gratitude for the sacrifices he makes for you and tell him how much you love and appreciate him.
 Sample language:

I am grateful for the time you spend with me and the fun we have together. You make our family so special. Thank you for being the best dad ever!

• **Granddad**: Tell him the ways you admire and appreciate him and all that he does. Sample language:

Thank you for all that you do for our family and the way that you love us all so well.

I treasure our special time together.

I love you.

Choose a creative way to deliver the notes, such as place them in his favorite shoes or in his car, send them in the mail, tape them on the mirror, etc.



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