THE ART OF BEING A PARENT

Read the text and choose the best word for the blanks.

In order to (1) _____ children, many qualities are required. As well as the (2)_____requirements such as love, patience and understanding, a sense of humour is an important feature of any parent's personality. (3) _____, it's quite an art of transform a child's bad mood into (4) _____ everyone in the family can live with.

Another aspect of child rearing is teaching children limits and rules. This means the child needs to be (5) _____ of what his or her rights are and what other people's are, too. Setting limits on children must occur on a daily basis. Temporary measures don't achieve anything but just waste time. A (6) _____ mistake, however, is being (7) _____ stricter than necessary. Parents must be (8) _____ to allow their children the opportunity to explore and learn (9) _____ experience.

What's more, most parents must know the importance of (10) _____ as it gets children used to certain everyday activities. For instance, eating at the same time (11)_____ their parents gets them into the habit of sitting at a table and (12)_____ them how to conduct themselves properly.

Overall, child rearing is no easy task but it is certainly a challenge and a learning experience.

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