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My child is overly bossy and sometimes to the point of being a bully. I've tried all the "talks" I can think of but it's not working. She is now beginning to lose friends and have others turn away and is causing alot of problems in other group settings and at school. She is aware it's a problem for her but feels like she "just can't help it". Do you have any suggestions that might help her? It's becoming a real concern for us.

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Contact a specialist and ask him to check if your daughter has some kind of psychological handicap. If she does not have any, try to praise her every time she behaves nicely. We parents often do wrong, because we do not understand that both criticism and praise words can strengthen a child's behaviour. If we want to strengthen a certain kind of behaviour in our children, we should praise them every time they do something right and ignore them when they do wrong. This is better than criticizing them.

Some people are naturally charming and everybody likes them, others do not have those skills and do not succeed in social life. People try to take keep away from them because they see them as unpleasant. A person who is

introverted may also easily considered boorish. On the other hand, someone who has a keen ear and cares about how other people feel becomes popular and makes friends easily.

Some kids are easy to bring up, and listen to other people's advice. Other kids do not seem to listen at all. It is important not to give up on troublesome children; they should be helped in all possible ways.

Sometimes it is wise to seek their schoolmates' help. They can easily understand where the problem is and often children listen to their friends more than their parents.

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