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| Good job!  (general praise) | Thank you for being on time, Renee.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Way to go! Nice work!  (general praise) | Johnathan, I appreciate you asking that question, which showed critical thinking.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You are so smart, Nathan!  (general praise) | Thank you for running that note to the office, Tamekia.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You are my favorite student.  (general praise) | Thank you, class, for waiting quietly while Mrs. Ryan was checking in with me.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Awesome job!  (general praise) | Thank you for cleaning up your work space so efficiently.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Nice grade on your math homework.  (general praise) | Great job showing your work on your math homework.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Thank you!  (general praise) | I appreciate how you pushed in your chair on the way to line up for lunch. That keeps the walkways safe. (behavior-specific praise) |
| You’re the best!  (general praise) | Thank you for turning in your assignment on time.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You’re amazing!  (general praise) | I like how you remembered to clean up your area after science lab.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You’re so great!  (general praise) | Great job locating seven robust resource documents for your essay.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| WOW! Way to go!  (general praise) | I appreciate how today in class you wrote without stopping for the whole quickwrite time.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Super job! Outstanding!  (general praise) | You made good progress on vocabulary, defining 17 of 20 words, which is seven more than last week. (behavior-specific praise) |
| Well done! You’re special!  (general praise) | You met your goal today of completing the essay outline!  (behavior-specific praise) |
| I knew you could do it!  (general praise) | You followed the steps to correctly reduce fractions to lowest terms, mastering the state standard! (behavior-specific praise) |
| I’m so proud of you.  (general praise) | Nice job helping Suzi work through the steps to that problem.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| What a super star you are!  (general praise) | I like how Lucille is sitting with her hands and feet to herself.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Looking good there!  (general praise) | You were really engaged and participatory in our class discussion.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You’re on top of it!  (general praise) | I like how you are sharing your materials with your group as we work on our project today.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Now you’ve got it!  (general praise) | Excellent use of our new vocabulary word “ambient” in your everyday speech!  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You’re catching on!  (general praise) | Great job, class, taking turns in our fishbowl discussion.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Now you’re flying!  (general praise) | I like how you walked over here so quietly, being respectful of everyone else who is reading.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Bravo! You’re on your way!  (general praise) | Thank you for raising your hand and waiting to be called on before asking your question.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You are right on target!  (general praise) | Class, you are working on your assignment so quietly, thank you!  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You’re a natural-born leader!  (general praise) | I like to see students sitting “crisscross applesauce.”  (behavior-specific praise) |
| That’s incredible!  (general praise) | I like how I’m seeing so many students sitting “crisscross applesauce” waiting quietly.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Wow! Dynamite!  (general praise) | Way to go, Billy, you are using your coping skills.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Nothing can stop you now!  (general praise) | Thank you for waiting your turn, Janelle.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You’ve discovered the secret!  (general praise) | Anna, great job filling out your self-monitoring form consistently at each step.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| Exceptional performance!  (general praise) | Excellent job sharing with your neighbor, Stephen.  (behavior-specific praise) |
| You make me happy.  (general praise) | You really showed responsibility when you took the time to organize your project before turning it in. (behavior-specific praise) |