

# Habit 6: Synergize

I value other people's strengths and learn from them. I get along well with others, even people who are different than me. I work well in groups. I seek out other people's ideas because I know that by teaming with others, we can create better solutions than any one of us can alone.

Here is an example of a marching band that **"synergized"** together to create an amazing performance.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTca2nrIn4U>

## How to Synergize as a Family:

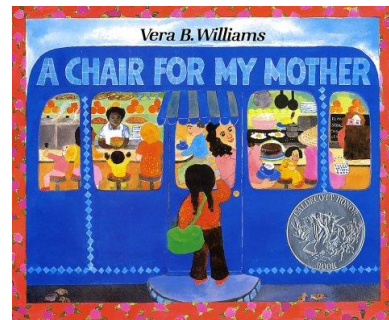
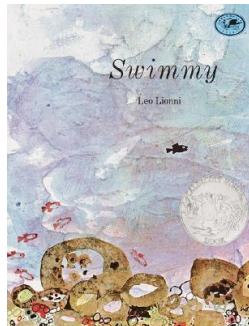
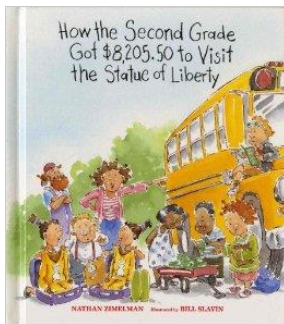
- If your child has siblings, ask each to identify what they think their brother or sister is really good at, then share the lists with each other and discuss how they could Synergize on homework, chores, playing games, sports, etc. If your child does not have siblings, you can do the same exercise using his or her best friends – or you.
- Institute a "15 minute program" where everyone drops what they are doing and pitches in to work as a team to clean the kitchen, pull weeds in the garden, wash the dishes, sweep the front port, etc. Cutting out a small block of time where everyone helps makes the work go quicker.






- With your children, choose a problem or brainstorm for a project you want to complete. Use the Synergy Action Plan to summarize your child's solution and your solution:

**↑ Synergy Action Plan ↑**

<b>Define the Problem</b>	Make sure you understand the problem or task.
<b>Their Way</b>	Try to understand everyone's ideas. Listen carefully.
<b>My Way</b>	Seek to be understood. Share your ideas.
<b>Brainstorm</b>	Be creative. Everyone create new ideas.
<b>High Way</b>	Find best solution.

Read books or watch movies and discuss how characters *Synergize* with other characters.



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