It is important for children to learn the difference between right and wrong at an early age, punishment is necessary to help them learn this distinction. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion? What sort of punishment should parents and teachers be allowed to use use to teach good behavior to children?

A contentious issue has been formed among parents and teachers as to whether or not it is suitable to punish children in order to train them and get the best out of them. I, personally, take a firm stance against punishment of kids for which a few rationales are mentioned.

First of all, punishment, whether it be verbal or corporal, has an adverse impact on children's conduct. To illustrate, verbal punishment not only causes them to learn inappropriate words but makes them act conversely against their parents' will. Physical punishment will exert that negative influence too. To put it into perspective, a large-scale study has been conducted at university of Tehran on kids aged 5 to 12, demonstrating those who have suffered punishment and humiliation in any way, were more prone to commission of crime than the ones experiencing proper upbringing without punishment. As a result, even they turn to their friends who are of low classes of society leading to widespread addiction among them. Subsequently, they are castaways from their family and community, so the profound problems can arise ever-since accordingly.

As opposed to the above points, encouragement and rewarding are presented, which can have the sound results while training the kids. It is crystal clear that children long for incentives, the more expensive and attractive the reward, the more subservient and obedient the children. If you search around yourself, without doubt you will realize that children like to be admired when doing something right. Accordingly, parents teach them with their right behavior toward other members of family and strange people. As a consequence, this behavior indirectly shapes their personality in the space of few years turning to mature teenagers who independently can differentiate between vice and virtue.

To wrap up, punishment is going to be abolished and eradicated in new generations and this method will not be practiced take into effect any more. This matter is in line with my attitude toward having competent kids through encouragement and rewarding instead of punishment.