

SECURE

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THE FAMILY CONVERSATION KIT

Simple scripts and prompts to talk about planning without fear, pressure, or overwhelm. Because the hardest part is often just starting.



Before You Start

Set the Tone

- Choose a calm, neutral time
- Start with your own intentions, not their shortcomings
- Keep it short. This is a beginning, not a full plan
- Focus on reducing stress, not discussing death

You are not planning for **death**. You are planning for **clarity**.

**Start the conversation with confidence
– what to say & how to begin.**



SPOUSE OR PARTNER

SCRIPT



- "I was thinking about how much easier life would be if we both knew where everything is."
- "If something unexpected happened, I would want you to have access to everything without stress."
- "I realized we have a will, but we have not talked about passwords, photos, or personal wishes."

FOLLOW UP PROMPTS

- Do we know where our important documents are stored?
- Who would step in if we both were unavailable?
- Are our personal wishes written down?
- Does someone we trust know how to access everything?



AGING PARENTS

SCRIPT



- "I want to make sure I could support you the way you would want if something happened."
- "Would you feel comfortable walking me through where your important information is kept?"
- "I am not trying to take over anything. I just want to make sure I could help if needed."

FOLLOW UP PROMPTS

- Do you have a will and where is it stored?
- Who should we call first in an emergency?
- Where are key accounts managed?
- Have you written down your wishes?



ADULT CHILDREN

SCRIPT



- "I want you to know where things are, not because anything is wrong, but because life is unpredictable."
- "We have organized our important information so you would not have to guess."

FOLLOW UP PROMPTS

- Who should be contacted first?
- Where are documents stored? (In DoveLock, of course!)
- Who is responsible for what?



YOUNG CHILDREN

SCRIPT



- “We have a plan to make sure you are always safe, no matter what.”
- “If Mommy and Daddy ever needed help, Aunt Sarah would help take care of you.”
- “You will always be taken care of by people who love you.”

FOLLOW UP PROMPTS

- Does your child know who their trusted caregiver would be?
- Have you formally documented guardianship in your legal paperwork?
- Would a caregiver know your child’s routines, preferences, and medical needs?



Turn Conversation Into Action

A conversation is powerful. But without organization, details fade and documents get lost.

ORGANIZE TOGETHER