CLEAN A STOVE AND OVEN

There are several different types of stoves and ovens--electric, gas, and self-cleaning.

No matter which one you have, they all need cleaning at some point.

Remember to ask your parents for guidance on the specifics of your family's oven.

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EARN THIS NUGGET

Demonstrate to your parents that you know how to present a shiny stovetop and gleaming oven.

Here are some general guidelines:

Stove Top

- Remove any hardware from the stove top and wash them by hand in the sink or dishwasher.
- Clean the stove top with an appropriate cleaning agent. Ask your parents, who will be able to guide you.

Caution: Many cleaners are poisonous, so it's very important that you consult your parents.

• Read the instructions on the cleaner bottle.

Oven

- Remove any shelves and removable hardware. You can usually wash these in the sink or dishwasher, too.
- Again, ask a parent before you move forward, and have them help you.
- Some ovens have a cleaning cycle, but only use this with your parent's supervision. If they agree that you can use the self-cleaning function, go ahead and follow those directions.
- After the oven is cool, inspect and finish cleaning any residue with a cloth and perhaps an appropriate cleaning agent.
- For non-self-cleaning ovens, you'll need an oven cleaner and appropriate scrubbing pads. Get guidance from your

parents and make sure you read all cleaner instructions carefully. As I wrote above, many cleaners are poisonous or corrosive.

I like to wear special gloves to help protect my hands, and I like to open a window to keep fresh air circulating.

