

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

THE POWER OF YET

Adding “yet” to the end of a statement transforms it from defeat into empowerment. A child moves from saying “I can’t do it,” and instead says, “I can’t do it, yet.” As adults, we teach children growth mindset by adding hope in the form of a simple word: “yet.” Then we help children seek opportunities to grow and explore, replacing a fear of failure with hope and determination.

**I AM NOT GOOD
AT THIS.**

**I AM NOT GOOD
AT THIS, YET.**

**I DON'T
UNDERSTAND THIS.**

**I DON'T
UNDERSTAND THIS, YET.**

I CAN'T SEE IT.

I CAN'T SEE IT, YET.

THIS DOESN'T WORK.

**THIS DOESN'T
WORK, YET.**

**I DON'T KNOW HOW
TO DO IT.**

**I DON'T KNOW HOW
TO DO IT, YET.**

**THINGS DON'T
MAKE SENSE.**

**THINGS DON'T
MAKE SENSE, YET.**



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