

How to remember the 5 PROTECTIVE FACTORS that make your family strong.



Use your Thumb to remember

**Social & Emotional
Competence of
Children**

because a "thumbs up"
is one of the first ways
we learn to communicate
our emotions.



Your Pinky Finger signifies
**Concrete Support
in Times of Need**

because it is the smallest
finger and reminds us that we
all need help sometimes.



Your Index Finger represents
**Knowledge of Parenting
and Child Development**

because you are your child's
1st teacher!

Your Ring Finger stands for
Parental Resilience

because your first commitment
must be to yourself in order
to be strong for others.



Your Middle Finger can
help you remember
Social Connections

because it should never
stand alone! We all need a
positive social network.



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strengthening families