

HOW SOME CHILDREN FEEL:

Allow me to make
Some mistakes. That
Way I'll grow. Painfully
May be but in freedom,"

When Pranav made
This statement to his mother
It made me think.
Philosophically , this
Is a matter of concern-
Comfort and conflict-the
Concern of the parents and
And the comfort of their children,
This is avoidable
This can be avoided
Creatively , constructively.

If not avoided
All lose out
How can it be avoided?
One way is to get off the blanket
Directive mode-

Saying do this this way, do
That that way, however
Insignificant the occasion is.
And the thinking behind
It, namely : I want to save
My child from all bother and pain.

Instead , we can confine
Our guidance to crucial
Things, items where the consequences are not
Correctible or reversible.

Another way is to
Give broad guidelines
And not breathe down
Their necks,
A third way is to
Let the child ask for
Guidance when needed
And offer it by way of
Guidelines and not directives.

A fourth way is
To invite the child to get
In to the plan -do -review
Mode.

A fifth way is to

Invite the child to observe and

Learn from others successes and failures.

“I disagree- now tell me what

You were to tell me” this is an

Avoidable phenomenon.