What Can I Do? A Guide to Helping in the Classroom

When you have a free moment before activities or explanations begin OR after you complete your activity.... <u>Remember, your assigned task comes first.</u>

WITH STUDENTS during opening, seat work or work time Assist students with directions Listen to children (talking about a task, dictation, sharing ideas). Read TO or WITH students Supervise students working at centers, tables, etc. Clean the sink Wash out brushes, containers and vases; put away. Wash cups, dishes and water bottles; put away Look at the floor Pick up papers, books, etc. Check for tripping items; make areas safer Check out centers Straighten books in library Straighten materials after reading the directions Reattach bulletin board items, directions Put away "stray items" that belong elsewhere Replenish center and shared supplies Check student tables Sponge off glue, paste, paint and markers(leave the table dry and usable) Reattach names and other tags on tables Check student shelves Pick up student backpacks, clothing, etc. that has fallen off the hooks Put student mail, papers in appropriate place Check adult desk or work area Sort and hand out student work, newsletters, etc Take collected items (Campbell labels, labels for education) to drop site Sort out items for office, etc. and deliver if there is time Cut, collate, staple, band, correct, etc. as indicated by the teacher's notes File materials IF STUDENTS ARE OUT OF THE ROOM: Vacuum floor (corners and behind centers) Wipe down chairs and tables Clean white board (If using chemical spray be sure students are out 30 minutes; Air out the room. ASK teacher what to leave on the board Hang art on hooks over student areas Sort out blocks, etc Remove sticky tape from windows doors and walls. Clean off residue