

WHAT TO DO INSTEAD OF CORRECTING THEM

WHY DO DEMENTIA CAREGIVERS CORRECT?

1. This is how we help people when they don't have dementia and they are doing something incorrectly.
2. As a tool to control their behavior.

DEMONSTRATE AND EXPLAIN

1. Use your hands and body language to show them what you want them to do while you're explaining.
2. Cut down on the amount of words you're using.
3. Simplify the words you're using.

LET IT GO UNLESS IT AFFECTS THEIR HEALTH OR SAFETY

HEALTH & SAFETY MEANS:

1. Basic hygiene (no sores, infections etc due to not cleaning.)
2. Staying in a safe place (home or long term care.)
3. Not physically harming themselves or others.
4. Getting enough to eat and drink.