



Toy Safety Tips

Everything you need to know to keep your kids safe around toys.

Toys and games are tons of fun for kids and adults. Whether your kids are working on a puzzle, playing with building blocks or even inventing their own games, here are a few things to think about to help them stay safer and have a blast.

Find the Perfect Toy for the Right Age

- Consider your child's age when purchasing a toy or game. It's worth a second to read the instructions and warning labels to make sure it's just right for your child.
- Before you've settled on the perfect toy, check to make sure there aren't any small parts or other potential choking hazards.



Don't Forget a Helmet for Riding Toys

- If your children have their hearts set on a new bike, skateboard, scooter or other riding equipment, be sure to include a helmet to keep them safe while they're having fun.
- Learn more bike safety tips and watch our helmet safety video.



Store Toys After Play

- After play time is over, use a bin or container to store toys for next time. Make sure there are no holes or hinges that could catch little fingers.



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In 2010, an estimated 181,500 children were treated in an emergency room for a toy-related injury. That's 500 kids every day. Nearly half of those injured were children 4 and under.

