



Safe Toy Guide

Safe Kids Pennsylvania suggests that parents pick toys that are right for the age and development of each child.

- Avoid toys with small, loose parts
- Avoid toys with sharp points or edges
- Avoid toys that make loud noises for they may harm a child's hearing
- Be aware of lead levels in toys
- Be aware of the button batteries in toys

Infants to One-Year-Olds

In the first months of life, babies learn to reach, roll over and sit up. As they move, babies are more likely to choke on small objects within reach.

Toys for this age group are:

Activity quilts, bath toys, soft dolls, squeaky toys

Safety ideas:

Smoke and CO detector, child safety seat

One- to Two-Year-Olds

At this age, children are curious. They will climb, jump, throw and play rough games. It is very important to keep an eye on your children at all times.

Toys for this age group are:

Balls, books, building blocks, push and pull toys

Safety ideas:

Window guard, child safety seat, safety gate, smoke and CO detector, helmet

Two- to Five-Year-Olds

Preschoolers enjoy tests of strength. They begin to ride tricycles and use building toys.

Toys for this age group are:

Musical instruments, non-toxic art supplies
non-violent videos, outdoor play equipment

Safety ideas:

Helmet, child safety seat, smoke and CO detector

Five- to Nine-Year-Olds

In this age group, children are creative and more active. They can write and work on arts and crafts.

Toys for this age group are:

Bicycles, crafts, electric trains, skates/
skateboards/scooters, sports equipment

Safety ideas:

Knee pads, wrist guards, elbow pads, helmet,
smoke and CO detector, booster seat

Ten- to Fourteen-Year-Olds

At this age, children enjoy team sports and games that require a lot of physical activity. Children have hobbies and an interest in science.

Good gifts for this age are:

Board games, computers, microscopes,
non-violent video games, sports equipment

Safety ideas:

Life jacket, helmet, smoke and CO detector



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