

Video Gaming Safety Guide For Parents

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Top Safety Tips

- ✓ Activate parental controls on consoles.
- ✓ Manage online interactions – block or limit chat.
- ✓ Set up “Ask to Buy” to prevent in-app purchases.
- ✓ Enforce “Real-World” Privacy. Teach children to never use their real name, birthdate and location. Never move from a game’s chat to another chat app.
- ✓ Co-play for content awareness. Spend at least 15 minutes playing with your child to understand the game.
- ✓ Set boundaries and monitor time & content.

“When played safely age appropriate, good quality video games can teach important skills, increase self confidence and make kids feel comfortable with technology.”