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Get-Real GREEN GUIDE FOR FAMILIES

WHY POLITE CHILDREN GET AHEAD

HOW SMART IS YOUR BABY? ANSWER: VERY



the fun List

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THINGS
KIDS
SHOULD
DO BEFORE
THEY
GROW UP

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BROKEN BONES



New LATCH Hazard



The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is now investigating ways to improve the LATCH system, but there's one surprising safety concern you may not have heard about. In the last few years, two children have been strangled to death by seat belts even though they were buckled into car seats. Because seats installed with the LATCH system don't use the seat belt, the belt can become a hazard if a child plays with it. Follow these steps from SafetyBeltSafe U.S.A.

1 Buckle the lap-shoulder belt. Then pull the shoulder belt all the way out slowly, without yanking.

2 Feed the excess belt back into the retractor.

3 Install the safety seat with LATCH so the lap-shoulder belt is behind the safety seat.

4 If any other unused belt is within reach of a small child, buckle it and, if possible, lock it.



Fire Fighter If you had a fire in your kitchen, would you know how to use your fire extinguisher? The new Tundra Fire Suppressant from First Alert has a simple spray nozzle, and **it's effective for all types of small household fires.** The chemicals inside are nontoxic, biodegradable, and easy to clean up.



PRODUCT RECALLS

+Baby Gund Woodles Activity Toys

18,900 toys (sold from June 2005 to April 2006)

were recalled because the wooden rings attached to the stuffed animal can break, posing a choking hazard. Call 800-448-4863 for a free replacement product.



+ "Kool Toyz" Playsets

190,500 playsets, including a playground set,

dollhouse set, and others (sold at Target from July 2006 to September 2006) were recalled because some contain lead paint. Return the playset for a refund.



+Helix Remote Control Micro Helicopter

46,200 toy helicopters (sold from July 2006 to November 2006)

were recalled because the power-supply controller can overheat, posing a burn hazard. Call 800-622-8339 for a replacement.



+ "Play Wonder" Puzzle Tables

7,100 puzzle tables (sold at Target from December 2005 to October 2006)

were recalled because the handles on the pieces can come off and pose a choking hazard. Return the table for a refund.

