

Play It Smart

SUMMER SAFETY GAME



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Summer is the official season of fun, with its pool parties, camping trips and late-night marshmallow roasts. And the best way to keep the festivities happening all season long is to put safety first. To learn how, just roll one die. The first one to the finish line wins!

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61 You quickly pile all the kids into the car to catch the ice cream truck that's just a few streets over. Uh-oh.

62 Kids can be strangled by skipping ropes, drawstrings – even soccer nets.

63 Teach kids to wait their turn at the playground, go down slides feet first, hold onto railings and sit down on swings. A trip to the ER is no fun for anyone.

64 Bullying is more likely to occur when kids are in new situations, with new groups of friends – like the first few days of camp.

65 **DID YOU KNOW?** If you're operating a powerboat, you must display your boat licence, carry a Pleasure Craft Operator Card and have marine safety equipment.

66 The forecast was cloudy so you skipped the sunscreen for the day.

67 Before you plan a campfire and marshmallow roast, assess the situation to make sure it's safe.

68 **FINISH**

69 Everyone should buckle up. Infants and kids should be in age- and size-appropriate car seats or booster seats.

70 Take a minute to pop a life-jacket on your kid whenever they are in, on or around water.

59 Yes, an infant can drown in a bathtub. It's the most common location.

57 **DID YOU KNOW?** Sports equipment that isn't in good working order can cause accidents.

58 Good call: You tell your child no one deserves to be bullied and he should ask for help if he feels unsafe.

55 "Seriously, who wears a bike helmet?" you said.

56 Clouds can be deceiving, so be sun savvy and wear sunscreen on cloudy and sunny days alike.

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51 Jonny wears his hockey helmet instead of his bike helmet while riding on your street. That's OK, right?

44 You rock! You really want to have a drink by the dock, but you supervise the kids' campfire instead.

48 You tell the kids to get drinks when they come in after they're finished playing outside.

50 **DID YOU KNOW?** On average, 400 Canadians drown each year.

47 The pool party was fun, but you forgot to get an adult to watch the kids at all times.

49 You stay alert for hazards, at home and away from home.

42 You forgot the baby's towel! Oh well, you pick up the wet baby from the tub and take him with you to get one.

43 Your toddler plays on playground equipment that's more than 1.5 metres off the ground. That could be trouble.

45 True story: A bike helmet should be replaced when it is more than five years old, no longer fits or has been in an accident.

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40 Get the right helmet for the right sport – and make sure it meets the government's quality standards.

39 Not so smart: You let your six-year-old cross the street by herself.

38 Guess what? You're not the "meanest mom ever" for not letting your kids run wild at the playground.

37 The temperature inside a parked car can soar within minutes, with potentially tragic results.

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