

Ways to prevent child abduction

Young children should be taught the following

- their full telephone number and address
- that it is all right to say “no” to an adult if the person wants them to do something that you have taught them is wrong
- that no one has the right to touch any part of their bodies that a bathing suit would cover
- scream and scatter books and belongings if they are forced toward a building or car
- move away from a car that pulls up beside them if they do not know the driver

Young children should be told to

- tell you, school authorities or a police officer about anyone who exposes private parts
- tell you if someone has asked them to keep a secret from you
- go to the nearest cashier if lost or separated from you in a store or mall

Young children should be taught that they should never

- say they are alone if they answer the phone—they can offer to take a message or say their parents will phone back
- answer the door if they are alone
- invite anyone into the house without the permission of a parent or babysitter
- go into people’s houses without letting anyone know where they are
- get into anyone’s car without permission
- take candy or other gifts from strangers or anyone else without asking the parent first

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