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Children love to watch TV and play at the computer. Here are some guidelines how to keep these activities safe and enjoyable for them.

Playing together



Children enjoy spending time in front of computer playing games with friends. Provide comfortable, height adjustable chairs to allow for different body sizes. The chairs can also be adjusted as the children grow.

Small children and media



In homes with small children, place sensitive equipment behind doors and out of their reach, while allowing access to their own things.

Drawer and cabinet locks protect what is inside and prevents children from using an open cabinet or drawer to climb on.

Children and TV



Children may want to sit on the floor, closer to the TV, as their eyes can focus much better than adults'. Make sure there is something soft to sit on or lie on.

Child-sized furniture



Some children prefer to lounge in furniture in their own size when they are watching TV or a movie.

Lockable storage units



Lockable storage units and child-safe closures allow you to protect sensitive media from curious children. Use child-safe locking devices designed for drawers and cabinets.

At the same time, allow children access to their own media with cabinets and drawers that are within their reach.

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Socialise long distance



Many people now socialise via the internet, using e-mail and chat rooms. Make sure you have a comfortable, height-adjustable chair with armrests if you will be sitting for a long time.

Surround sound



Surround sound refers to the placement of speakers in front of and behind the viewer for more realistic sound while watching movies. For the best results, place the speaker so that the viewer or listener is in the centre among the sound sources.

These sound systems are often customised for a media room and require the advice of an expert to get the best sound.

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The furnishings you choose for the media can affect your enjoyment of watching TV or listening to music. Here are some guidelines.

Storage units



One way to keep home entertainment neat and organised is to store everything in one unit that holds equipment, music and movies.

Before you choose a storage unit, measure what you want to store to ensure you have enough room for all of it, and allow room for your collection to grow.

Make sure the furniture you choose can carry the weight of the equipment and contents.

Combined storage



Rather than buying a ready-made entertainment unit, you can create a flexible storage solution that fits your needs exactly with your own choice of shelves, furniture and other storage.

Flexible media storage



When space is limited, consider putting the media furniture on castors so you can move it out of the way when you are not using it. This is also helpful for cleaning around the furniture.

Keep safety in mind with this type of solution: Make sure cables do not become tripping hazards when you move the TV or computer around.

Small space entertainment



A wall-mounted shelf or TV bracket takes up little space and leaves floor space free. Make sure the bracket is strong enough for the weight of the TV.

TV cabinet



Keeping the TV in a cabinet with doors allows you to close the doors to hide the TV. Be sure to choose a cabinet that can take the weight and heat of your equipment.

Whenever you install electronic or electrical equipment inside a cabinet, allow for ventilation and access to wiring.

Glass door cabinets



A cabinet with glass doors keeps equipment free of dust. The remote control works just as effectively through glass.

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Pillows for watching TV



Some people prefer to lounge on the floor in front of the TV. You can make them more comfortable by providing cushions or low stools.