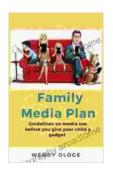
Guidelines On Media Use Before You Give Your Child Gadget

In today's digital age, it's more important than ever to establish guidelines on media use for children. With so many different types of media available, it can be difficult to know where to start. But by following these tips, you can create a plan that works for your family.



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1. Start early

The best time to start talking to your child about media use is before they even start using it. This will help them understand your expectations and avoid any problems down the road.

2. Be clear about your expectations

Let your child know what types of media are allowed, how much time they can spend on each type of media, and when they can use it. Be sure to

explain your reasons for these expectations.

3. Monitor your child's media use

Keep track of how much time your child is spending on media and what types of media they are using. This will help you identify any potential problems.

4. Talk to your child about media

Talk to your child about the media they are using. Ask them what they like about it, what they don't like about it, and what they have learned from it. This will help you understand their perspective and make sure they are using media in a healthy way.

5. Be a role model

Your child will learn from your example. If you want your child to have healthy media habits, you need to have healthy media habits yourself.

6. Be patient

It takes time to develop healthy media habits. Don't get discouraged if your child doesn't get it right away. Just keep talking to them and monitoring their media use, and eventually they will get the hang of it.

Additional tips

- Set up screen-free zones in your home, such as the dinner table and the bedroom.
- Encourage your child to participate in other activities, such as sports, music, or crafts.

- Talk to your child's teacher about their media use at school.
- Be aware of the different types of media available and the potential risks associated with each type.
- Talk to your child about cyberbullying and other online safety issues.

By following these tips, you can create a plan for media use that works for your family. Remember to be patient and consistent, and your child will eventually develop healthy media habits.

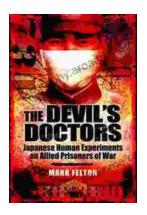
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