THE FACTS
Always look for the age recommendations on toys. Factors to consider when selecting a toy for your child should include if they are: interesting and appealing to your child, suited for your child’s mental and social development, compatible with your child’s physical abilities, well constructed, durable and safe.

For more information, visit www.lebonheur.org/safe kids.

SAFETY TIPS

SELECTION
• Before shopping, consider the child’s age, interests and ability.
• Always read labels and look for age ranges and safety warnings.
• Children under age 3 put everything in their mouth. Be careful with small balls and parts.

SUPERVISION
• Remove and throw away the packaging from the toy before giving it to a baby or small child.
• Always supervise while they play and set good examples of safe play.
• Keep toys for older children away from younger children.

INTERACTION
• Join in your child’s play.
• Your participation adds to your child’s fun and development.

STORAGE
• Teach children to put toys away after playing.
• Safe Storage prevents falls and other injuries.

MAINTENANCE
• Check old and new toys regularly for damage such as sharp edged or loose small parts.
• Make any repairs or throw away damaged toys right away.

GET THE GEAR!
FEATURED ITEM - TOY CHEST WITH SAFETY HINGES
• To prevent the lid from closing on a child who is leaning over the open chest (or use a toy chest without a lid)
• Where to get it – Children’s furniture store, discount chain
• Cost – Starting at $50.00