

Body Safety Rules for Children:

- My Body is MINE. I don't have to hug, kiss or be touched by anyone if I'm not comfortable
- Private Parts are the parts of your body covered by a bathing suit and are kept out of view. We don't look, play games or touch each other's private parts.

Body Safety Steps for Children:

- Say NO!
- Get away to a safe place
- Tell a trusted adult.

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Important Tips:

- ✓ ONCE IS NOT ENOUGH. Continued conversations help protect your child.
- ✓ Talk truthfully. Use real life examples or "what-if" situations.
- ✓ Establish 3-5 safe trusted adults to tell.
- ✓ Hugs and kisses are always optional.



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Should I teach the correct names for private body parts?

- 1. Gives your child the correct language to use if they need to tell a trusted adult
- 2. Normalizing private body parts allows your child to have conversations without embarrassment.
- It informs others that Body Safety is being discussed at home.

Secrets vs. Surprises

What is the difference?

- SECRETS are meant to be kept quiet forever, and often to protect something which would make people unhappy.
- SURPRISES are kept quiet temporarily, and when you share a surprise people are happy.

"60% of child sexual abuse victims never tell anyone."

Establishing a <u>NO</u> <u>SECRET RULE</u> in your family will help keep open communication in your household.



Books for Children

- 1. My Body Belongs to Me By: Jill Starishevsky
- 2. No Trespassing This is by Body
 - By: Pattie Fitzgerald
- 3. Some Parts are not for Sharing

By: Julie K Federico

- 4. I Said No! A Kid-to-Kid Guide to Keeping Private Parts Private By: Kimberly King
- 5. No Means No! By Jayneen Sanders
- 6. Some Secrets Should Never Be Kept By Jayneen Sanders
- 7. Lauren's Kingdom By: Lauren Book