

# Connected Toy Buying Guide Checklist

Before you decide to purchase a connected toy for your child, consider these steps to keep your child safe. Remember, not all smart toys are created equal and not all connected toys have the same capabilities. By considering these steps, you can ensure the safest possible playtime for your child.

## Before Purchasing:

- Check the website.
- Read reviews.
- Check for parental controls.
- Chat with the sales associate.

## Answer These Questions:

- Does the toy connect to the internet?
- What are the privacy settings for the device?
- Where does the data go? Who can view it?
- Can I have access to the data?
- How long is the data saved for? Where is it saved?
- What age is this toy/device intended for?
- Does it use Wi-Fi?
- Does it allow password protected settings?
- Does it have parental controls?
- Can my child talk to strangers with this device?

## Before Using:

- Do a quick Google search.
- Update all software.
- Review the privacy policy.
- Connect to secure Wi-Fi.
- Guard your personal information.
- Turn off location sharing.
- Screen for malware.