

Child Safety at Home

Practical skills

The hazards by age, and the ones most often overlooked.

Educational reference. Risks change as mobility develops.

Age	Main risks
0–6 months	Falls from height; sleep safety
6–12 months	Choking; stairs; hot drinks
1–3 years	Poisoning; drowning; burns; blind cords
3–5 years	Falls; roads; garden ponds
All ages	Furniture tipping; button batteries

Educational reference. Button batteries and blind cords cause deaths every year and are frequently overlooked. Both need urgent attention.