

I want that ...HOT ITEMS FOR KIDS & FAMILIES
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Keep an EYE ON THEM

VTech just launched the next evolution in baby monitors, the new Safe & Sound Pan & Tilt Full-Color Video Monitor.

The camera pans side-to-side and tilts up and down so you can monitor your bundle of joy no matter where they move or toddle. With two infrared LEDs it has automatic night vision and can zoom up to 2x for more detail. It works up to 1,000 feet, so you can feel free to move about.

It allows parents to observe big and small movements for peace of mind. And if parents want to console a child, the two-way intercom system provides an alternative to entering the room to deliver a quick calming word.

Available at vtechphones.com/baby-monitors; \$179.95



No more digging to FIND YOUR KEYS

Finders Key Purse attaches to any kind of bag and keeps keys within reach. A great safety feature when coming home at night or in dark parking lots. With more than 100 styles to choose from, it's easy to find one that matches any bag, tote, diaper bag and backpack.

Available at isntthisclever.com; \$6.95



Plan a family game night

Perfect for all ages, Funnybone Toys has created a series of board games for the whole family. One of their newest offerings is Spectrix.

Spectrix is a colorful take on the classic game of Rummy, played in multiple fastpaced rounds. The object is to be the first player to get rid of all of the cards in your hand by placing them into color sequences based on the order of colors on the Spectrix guide card or into collections of the same color. Players who are left with cards at the end of each round are given points.

Available at funnybonetoys.com; \$14.99



Mark those milestones

Milestone Baby Cards are a creative way for mothers to share and save their baby's firsts.

Gemma Broekhuis, who founded the company in 2012, wanted a way to save her son's milestone moments. She hand-crafted cards for specific events — realizing how easy it is to forget those treasured moments in just a regular picture.

With 30 illustrated cards marking picture-worthy milestones from the first smile to the first step, just write the date on the appropriate card, snap the picture and go.

Available on Amazon.com and zoeorganic.com; \$26.99



Paint your feet

Bobbi Toads are shoes designed so that you can paint (and repaint) the "toes." Simply paint the shoes as you would your own toes. When you are ready to switch up your style and change colors, use non-toxic nail polish remover to remove the old polish and repeat the process with a different color.

There are five colorful and fun shoe styles and 10 types of non-toxic nail polish to choose from. (You can also just use your favorite non-toxic nail polish). Available in sizes 11-6 in both Velcro and lace-up closures.

Available at bobbitoads.com; \$49.95

