

YOUNG CHILDREN AT HOME ALONE

Teach Your Children

- To memorize their name and address, including city and state.
- To memorize their phone number, including area code.
- To use both pushbutton and dial telephones to make emergency, local and long distance calls and to reach the operator.
- To check in with you or a neighbor immediately after arriving home.
- To never go into your home if a door is ajar or a window is broken.
- How to work your home's door and window locks and to lock them when they are at home alone.
- How to answer the doorbell and telephone when they're home alone.
- Not to go into anyone else's home without your permission.
- To avoid walking or playing alone.
- That a stranger is someone neither you nor they know well.
- That if they feel they're being followed, either on foot or by a car, to run to the nearest public place, neighbor or "Safe - House."
- To tell you if anyone asks them to keep a secret, offers them gifts or money, or ask to take their pictures.
- to always tell you if something happened while they were away from you that made them feel uncomfortable in any way.