



PORTABLE BOOSTERS **1** This folding booster has three height adjustments and a removable tray with three tummy adjustments to make way for growing tots. It includes a three-point harness, removable back and tray for older kids and shoulder straps and a snap-on cover for easy travelling. *Healthy Care Booster Seat, \$40, Fisher-Price.* **2** This European-designed portable high chair fits nearly every dining table chair and at just five pounds, it's easy to take to grandma's or on a family trip. *Folding Wooden High Chair, \$159, HandySitt.*

1 "This seat is great—it is stable on almost any chair, easy to clean and very portable. We use it for Pieter with the tray on; he loves being able to sit at the same level at the dinner table with us. Willem also uses it without the tray and seems quite comfortable."

SHELLEY DENNIS, MOM OF WILLEM, 2, AND 10-MONTH OLD PIETER, TORONTO

2 "Very smart, innovative and visually appealing. It worked on our chair at home and we took it to a restaurant and it worked nicely there as well. I liked the colours too; they were more adult-friendly than some other booster seats out there."

PAUL ROBINSON, DAD OF SIENNA, 1, EDMONTON

MOIST WIPES Made of natural saline, these hypoallergenic alcohol-free wipes moisturize your wee one's little nose with vitamin E, aloe and chamomile. *Gentle Saline Wipes, \$4, Boogie Wipes.*

"These wipes are great. They work far better than regular pre-moistened towels on sticky faces and left Maya's face soft and smelling great. Just the month before, my little one suffered from cracked skin under her nose from a cold and I had to give up wiping her snotty face because it became so raw. I only wished I had these wipes sooner—they rock!"

TARA ZUPANCIC, MOM OF MAYA, 3, AND AUDREY, 1, TORONTO



TODDLER

as seen in
CANADIAN
family



LEARNING TOY Softer than your average learning toy, Smart-E-Bear is an interactive friend that will play music, games and tell stories and will even recite and remember your child's name! Play in different languages and download content so that the bear grows with your child. *Smart-E-Bear, \$100, Intellitoyz.*

"Out of all the talking bears out there (I've had a couple) this has been my favourite. I love that it is interactive and can be adjusted to suit your child's development—brilliant. I also love that there is so much content available to download so it's not a one-trick pony. It is also lightweight and very snuggly. My three-year-old daughter loved it and sang along with it. It would be nice if somehow the electronic devices could be removed so the plush bear could be washed (important for kids with asthma or allergies)."

TARA ZUPANCIC, MOM OF MAYA, 3, AND AUDREY, 1, TORONTO



PLACEMAT The perfect placemat to join the littlest member of the family with the rest of the table. It sits directly on the table and comes with six different templates that you can insert to teach babe about numbers, the alphabet, colours and more. *Stokke Table Top, \$90, Stokke.*

"I really liked having Sienna right at the table with us; it made it feel like she was actually eating dinner with the family. It also gave her a well-defined area to toss around her Cheerios and play with her cutlery."

PAUL ROBINSON, DAD OF SIENNA, 1, EDMONTON

SNACK CONTAINER

Great for the on-the-go kid. Part of an entire line of BPA- and phthalate-free containers and dishware that reduce spilling with handy features like slip-resistant bottoms, ergonomic design and spill-catchers. *Boon kitchen products, starting at \$7, Boon.*

"It's a toy, it's a snack container, it's great. I love that the lid stays attached so there is no hunting for missing lids (a usual occurrence at my house). My nine-month-old daughter was very enthused by it over the holiday and it allowed me to keep her happy while getting Christmas dinner on the table."

TARA ZUPANCIC, MOM OF MAYA, 3, AND AUDREY, 1, TORONTO



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