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# Stranger Danger - How To Talk To Kids About Strangers



## Synopsis

Written by an award winning teacher, *Stranger Danger - How to Talk to Kids About Strangers* is a guide to help parents and caregivers of children ages 3-8 teach kids about strangers in a fun, interactive, and age appropriate way - without scaring them. Kids want and need to know what to DO in dangerous situations, but are usually only told to what NOT to do. (Don't talk to strangers; don't get in the car with strangers, etc.) Even the multitude of children's picture books about strangers (most aimed at the 8-12 year old age group) often fail to teach kids what they CAN do if they find themselves confronted with a stranger. *Stranger Danger - How to Talk to Kids About Strangers* is different. It is a how-to book is for parents and caregivers of children ages 3-8. Using techniques developed over decades of teaching young children, author Kristi Porter takes into consideration the unique thinking and learning styles of this younger age group, offering parents a new way to talk to their kids about strangers without scaring them. This easy to read, step by step guide gives parents age appropriate words and activities to use with even the youngest of children. Covering everything from who is a stranger, to when and how to fight back, it also includes bonus chapters about getting lost, and good tough/bad touch issues, making *Stranger Danger - How to Talk to Kids About Strangers* a must read guide for today's parents.

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Written for the parents of preschoolers and of younger grade-schoolers, *Stranger Danger* gives Moms and Dad's the direction needed in beginning an on-going dialog with their children about keeping themselves safe from abduction by strangers. All the essential elements are there for

creating a framework of safety while maintaining the child's feeling of security in the world. It would be worthwhile to note, however, that while this book does contain clear information about strangers, most abductions that occur are by those who are not strangers. Unfortunately, the information in *Stranger Danger - How to Talk to Kids About Strangers* on kidnapping prevention is bereft of tools for discussing what to do in the case of the most common type of abduction, family-member or acquaintance kidnappings. Mischaracterizing by narrowing our vision to stereotypical kidnappings is almost counter-productive; it instills an almost needless sense of fear in small children (statistically, children are more likely to die of a heart attack than be kidnapped by a stranger) and leaves them without any tools to recognize when an actual abduction by a known kidnapper (which is much more common; 68% of all kidnappings are by someone known to the family.) may occur. FBI reports state that "In 2010, 70 percent of child abduction cases resulted in the identification of an offender who had a known relationship with the victim." In no way do I wish to discredit author Kristi Porter's work, it may be time to start talking to our kids about keeping safe boundaries within families and their parent's circle of friends. What a world. A physical copy of this book was provided by the publisher or author for purposes of review.

This book provided excellent ways for parents and adults to teach children about stranger danger. It's an easy step by step guide and allows parents to pick methods they can customize to fit their child. It also goes into how to talk about good touch and bad touch. I would highly recommend for parents to buy this book.

As the mother of a preschooler, I suffered anxiety about how to discuss stranger danger with my daughter. This book is excellent. Kristi Porter's advice is very straight-forward and easy to follow. Exactly what I needed for approaching this extremely important topic and action plan with my daughter. I read it in 45 minutes (couldn't put it down) and so glad I did. Thank You!!

I thought this book was a great teaching tool for parents. It helps parents know and understand how to talk to their children about strangers. It gave me a point of view that I never knew how children really thought about what strangers really look like to them. It was a must read book!

I found the subject well-handled in the book. I will use some of the suggestions when we are with our two grandsons. No matter how much we try, the kids just have to be reminded over and over.

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