

# Poison Prevention Tips

## STORE POISONS SAFELY

- ▶ Store medicines and household products locked up, where children cannot see or reach them.
- ▶ Store poisons in their original containers.
- ▶ Use child-resistant packaging. But remember — nothing is child-proof!

## USE POISONS SAFELY

- ▶ Read the label. Follow the directions on medicines and products.
- ▶ Are children around? Take the product or medicine with you to answer the door or the phone.
- ▶ Lock products and medicines up after using them.
- ▶ Is it medicine? Call it medicine, not candy.
- ▶ Children learn by imitation. Take your medicines where children can't watch.

## TEACH CHILDREN TO ASK FIRST

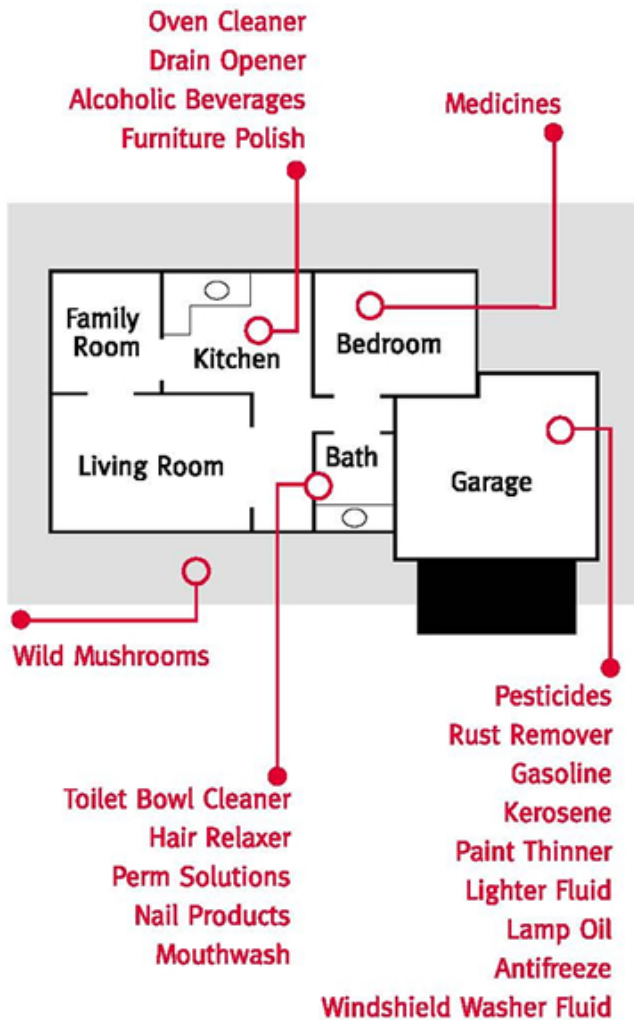
- ▶ Poisons can look like food or drink. Teach children to ask an adult before eating or drinking anything!

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## You Can Prevent Poisonings at Home

Products and medicines can hurt you if they are used the wrong way, in the wrong amount, or by the wrong person.



**Have a question? All questions about poisons are smart questions.  
Ask FIRST to prevent a poisoning!**

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