

STAYING AT HOME ALONE

Well, RockHopper, you're reaching that age when you are likely to have to stay home alone from time to time. How do you feel about that? Is it scary or does that sound like a piece of cake ... or even like an opportunity to sneak another piece of cake when everyone else is out? Well, being home alone is no big deal, but there are some rules that your family might want to discuss to make everything run smoothly.

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EARN THIS NUGGET

- Create a list of family and friend contacts that you can use if there is any sort of an emergency. Hang it on the fridge or in some other prominent area.
- Ensure that the phone is handy and charged. You probably don't need to answer any call that comes in, but you do need to recognize your parent's numbers.
- Be left at home twice on your own and show good responsibility.

1. Know the emergency numbers. Should anything come up have a list of numbers for nearby friends and family.

2. Do you have a good neighbor who you could go to in a pinch if there was an emergency?

3. Don't answer the door. Keep the doors locked, stay out of sight, and don't answer that door. There is nothing so important that won't wait 'til your parents come home.

4. We have a secret family knock. So, if someone in the family comes home, the person inside knows that it's another family member.

5. Keep a phone handy and make sure it is charged. Also make sure the ringer is on, so if your parent calls in to check on you they can get a hold of you.

6. Know what you are allowed to use and what you are not. For instance, your parents may feel that if you need to make a snack, the microwave is okay, but don't use the oven.

