

Tried, tested, enjoyed, and recommended by Ru Mahoney



◀ clek™ booster seat

If you have grandchildren out of car seats but weighing less than 80 pounds, you may want to consider suggesting the use of a booster. Research shows that children below this weight limit do not fully benefit from standard seatbelts and are safer using a booster that provides optimal positioning. The new olli™ model from clek™ is an original solution for style-conscious children and tweens, and features comfortable construction with armrests and convenient pockets for all their portable must-haves. The innovative LATCH system secures the seat to vehicle anchors (or can be used alone) and has an easy front release mechanism that we loved. \$99.99 at USA Baby stores, or find a retailer near you at www.magnaclek.com. Age/Weight: 40-100 pounds

Cosmic Bebe tees ▶

We loved the astrology-inspired attire for tots! Cosmic Bebe tees are a cute novelty gift featuring zodiac signs that let little ones parade their burgeoning astral personalities. With washer/dryer-friendly 100 percent cotton, the only complaint is that they don't come in toddler sizes. Gift wrapping and customized note cards are complimentary, so these little lap tees are a good pick for sending early grandparent gifts. \$22 at www.CosmicBebe.com; enter "GRAND" at checkout for discount. Age: 3-24 months



◀ TreBimbi infant tableware

The "hottest" cutlery for children on the market. We ran this product by the toughest testers in town—our own grandchildren—and it passed with flying (and clickable, stackable) colors. Smiling utensils with creatively fun features will at least attract attention from finicky food critics. If playing with their tableware will lead to ingesting some nourishment, all the better! TreBimbi's collection of colorful cutlery is durable and satisfying to the modern parent who wants to blend fashion and function. Each set includes a fork, knife and spoon, while table collections feature plates, bowls, cups and condiment holders. \$20-\$45 at Target, www.TheRightStart.com or www.BareBabies.com; or all TreBimbi products at www.ItalianCasa.com. Age: 2-6 years