

# Make sure your windows are child-safe

As you do your fall decorating this year, take a child safety inventory to make sure your home is up to par—especially at the window. Sue Rainville, director of marketing for leading window fashions manufacturer Hunter Douglas, offers the following tips to make your home—and particularly your windows—safer for children:

- Use window guards on all windows above the first floor. Screens aren't strong enough to stop the fall; they are meant to keep insects out, not to keep children in. Look for quick-release features for easy emergency exits.
- If it's necessary to keep windows open for ventilation, install locks that

limit the size of the opening.

- For sliding glass doors, apply bright stickers at a child's eye level to alert him or her to the presence of glass.

- Be sure to keep all furniture and cribs away from windows.

- Keep window covering cords secured or outfit windows with cordless window fashions such as Silhouette window shadings with the LiteRise cordless lifting system from Hunter Douglas.

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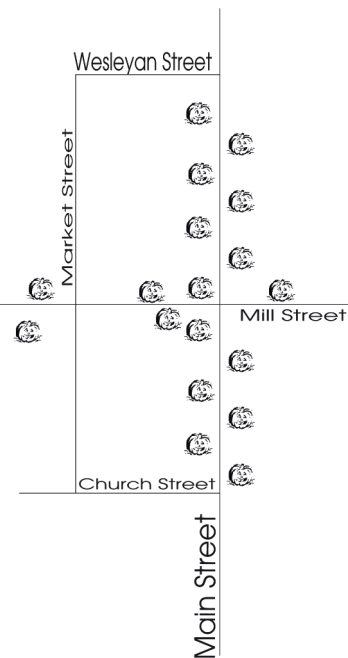


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