

Children learn by example



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Violent entertainment is unacceptable for children, adults say.

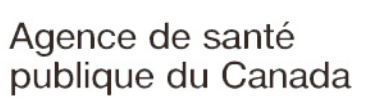
Children are well aware that adults create violence, broadcast violence and watch violent shows and games. Is that acceptable, children ask? Some people believe that children who watch violent entertainment are more likely to become violent themselves; in fact, children who have experienced abuse, harsh physical punishment or family violence are more likely to imitate media violence.

Parents have a stronger influence on their children's behaviour than TV stars or video game action figures. Families are in the best position to prevent violence in their children's lives, by building positive relationships and monitoring TV, movie, computer and video game use.

Please find out more from the UN Secretary-General's Study on Violence Against Children www.unicef.ca/childprotection/violencestudy

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