

How to Create Better Gaming Environments

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Addressing Toxic Video Gaming Environments

Discuss strategies for creating better gaming environments

Strategies and discussion points:

These questions can be used while having these discussions with your Gamer:

*Ask your child whether they are an administrator (or moderator) of a server or are their friends?

*If they are creating their own server, do they only invite their friends/ people they know-which is, of course, ideal?

- If they do play online with strangers, how often does this happen?
- If they ever feel uncomfortable, what can they do?

*Are they playing games where it allows one to silence strangers? The other teams?

*Do they play games in which all the voices get turned off entirely?

*When people are rude, mean, how often do you see people do nothing?

*How often do people get banned?

*How often are people kicked out of the group?

*How often do you get drawn into a conflict? How has that gone?

Remind teens/tweens that these are important questions for you as the parent to ask, so the privilege of gaming can continue and the communication can remain open if an issue may arise.

