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GAMBLING IN PLAIN LANGUAGE



If someone asked whether your child gambles, your answer might be, **"Of course not."**

But gambling is everywhere—from online sports betting to video game features like loot boxes.

THE MORE YOU KNOW, THE BETTER YOU CAN HELP THEM UNDERSTAND.



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WHAT MAKES IT GAMBLING?

SOMETHING TO LOSE
Money or another item of value is put at risk.

AN UNCERTAIN OUTCOME
The result depends at least partly on chance.

A POSSIBLE REWARD
There is an opportunity to receive a prize or payout.

Unpredictable rewards can encourage children and teens to keep trying—even after spending more than they intended.

START A CONVERSATION

> **"Where have you noticed gambling showing up in games, sports, or social media?"**

> **"How can you tell when a game is asking you to risk real money?"**

A calm conversation can help your child **recognize the risks and make more informed choices.**

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