Family Moving Tips

Moving can be quite an undertaking for you and your family, but it's also an exciting time: a new home, a new start, and new adventures for everyone. It's something that has an effect not just on you as parents but on your kids as well. When you're making the big move, there are some great ways to get your kids involved and psyched for the new place.

Making the move

When you're dealing with the logistics of the move, it really helps to avoid boxing up certain items your kids love, so they feel more comfortable while they're making the transition. It can be as simple as a couple of toys, a book, or a game they like. Of course, moving is also a good time to go through your stuff and get rid of clothes, toys, and other items that your kids may have outgrown or stopped using.

Packing up non-fragile items like clothes and stuffed animals is a good task to give the kids, so they feel involved in the process. And allowing them to draw on or decorate the boxes with their things will help them stay occupied and flex their creative muscles.

What's new and different

Moving comes with a lot of changes for the whole family, some that may be a little difficult to cope with. So before you move, have the kids help research places in your new neighborhood or town. Whether it's a grocery store, an ice cream parlor, or a park, knowing there are new things to discover is a great way to build anticipation for the move.

When you get into your new place, give your kids a spot that's all theirs to help them get acclimated to living somewhere they've never stayed. You can even go around the house once you're moved in and discover different things about your home that you and your kids can enjoy together.

Once you've settled in, arranging meet-ups with the neighbors and their kids will help your family feel more at home and can be the beginning of new friendships. That can make the adjustment process a lot smoother.

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