



(Adapted from Hazrat Moulana Yunus Patel's (rahimahullah) tarbiyat program (26/06/2008)

1. Parents need to understand that we can't be too strict on the children during the holidays. Some freedom should be given to them. However it shouldn't be such that we give so much freedom, that we allow them to go to discos, rave clubs and cinemas. Some parents put the TV on in the house, putting the suitable cartoon for the child. And the child spends hours in front of the television. The adverse effect of all of this will be experienced by the parents.

2. Adjust the times in our daily routine. Take out time for our children. Talk to them, joke with them and take them out to places to acquire halaal entertainment. But if we say: "No! Rather send them with their friends" etc. Then we should take lessons from around us. How much of correspondence we get where muslim girls are having abortions. Their parents don't know anything about it.

3. The world outside is extremely vicious. It's like someone going to Kruger National Park. If he steps out of the car, he will be devoured by a cheetah or lion. We can't change the world due to our limitations. But we can change ourselves and the environment of our homes. No government stops us from performing salaah. No government forces us to watch TV, movies or to adorn the dress of the kuffar.

4. We as parents need to know what is on our children's phones. Recently some boys were found watching haraam on their phones in the masjid.

5. I am not saying it is totally haraam to watch the waters of the ocean. But in these so called festive times we know what haraam takes place there. For those who want peace of mind and also want their children to grow up in a healthy environment, we shouldn't go to these places. Look for good things that they will be occupied in. Take them out for some halaal entertainment.

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(where no laws of shariah are broken and the environment is conducive)

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