

Think about how you currently use the living areas in your home & how you would like to be using these rooms. If you have a living room & a family room or a great room, maybe you'd like an area for The Parents and an area for The Kids. If you only have one living area, maybe you can creatively arrange the furniture so the kids' toys & games are contained to one area. This can be accomplished by moving your sofa away from your wall and having low bookcases & a child sized table behind the sofa for the kids' area.

Blankets can be stored in baskets or even on the rungs of an old wooden ladder. Think about what you already have that can be put to use to organize problem items in your house.

If you have a lot of movies, go through all of them. Sort them into Kids & Adults. Anything your kids have outgrown can go in last week's toy donation box. If board games are stored in multiple areas, find a spot where they will all fit. Again, donate games that are in good shape (and have all of the pieces) that your kids have out grown.

If you have an office, make sure it is a space that works for your needs. If the desk is overflowing with paperwork, sit down in front of your filing cabinet with all of the papers & a garbage bag. Throw away garbage, file important papers.

If you have an office that you don't use for work, consider repurposing this room into a room that better suits your family's needs: game room, toy room, craft room, library...lots of possibilities!