

Are guns really a gift for children?



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Talking points

1. What are these cartoons saying about giving firearms to children as holiday gifts?
2. What do you think of two members of Congress showing off Christmas photos of their children holding lethal weapons?
3. Does a gun in a home make it safer or more dangerous?
4. Guns are the leading cause of death for U.S. children. Does it seem that some Americans "love" their weapons more than kids?
5. Why are people so fascinated by devices designed to kill?

Between the lines

"Approximately every 40 minutes, a child or teenager is injured by a gun. Children who live in a home with a gun are at 2 times the risk of homicide and 3 times the risk of suicide." - Journal of American Medical Association.

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/fullarticle/2775412>

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