



# Best Gear for Active Kids

Ages 7–12: Our Family-Tested Picks

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## TL;DR

We tested this gear with our own kids in Fort Collins, Colorado. The Beast Trampoline is the only one that survived a full year of abuse. Woom makes the best kids bike you can buy.

Everything on this list has been personally tested by our family. We don't recommend anything we haven't used ourselves — and we've gone through plenty of gear that didn't make the cut. These are the products that earned a permanent spot in our home.

## Outdoor Play & Sports



### Beast Trampoline — 14 ft

Top Pick

**The Only Trampoline We Kept After Testing Five**

After testing five different trampolines, the Beast is the only one we kept. It held up through three Colorado winters and two kids who treat it like a UFC octagon. Your kids will love it — and so will you, because it gives them something to do that isn't a screen.

→ Survived 3+ years of heavy use with zero structural issues

“The only trampoline that survived a full year of serious abuse from our kids.”

## Bikes & Rides



## Woom Kids Bikes

**Best Kids Bike on the Market**

Woom makes the best kids bikes on the market — genuinely lightweight, properly sized, and kids actually want to ride them. The difference between a Woom and a department store bike is the difference between a bike your kid uses and a bike that lives in the garage.

→ Lightweight aluminum frames sized for real kids, not scaled-down adults

“The difference between a Woom and a department store bike is the difference between a bike your kid uses and one that collects dust.”



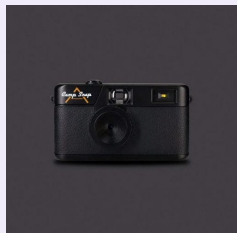
## Velotric Discover 2 — Family eBike

**75-mile range**

For family rides where you need to keep up with — or haul — your kids. The torque sensor pedal assist makes hills effortless, and the cargo capacity means younger kids can come along for the ride. A genuinely practical family transportation tool.

→ Torque sensor pedal assist + cargo capacity for the whole crew

## Tech for Kids



## Camp Snap Camera

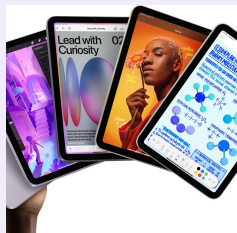
**\$70**

**Best Tech Gift for Ages 7-12 — Zero Caveats**

No WiFi. No social sharing. No screen time spiral. Just a camera that lets kids actually be kids. The Camp Snap is the single best tech gift we've found for ages 7-12 — and the one we recommend without any caveats.

→ Screen-free and social-free — kids love the suspense of waiting for photos

“Our son loves this screen-free camera. He loves waiting to see how the pictures turned out even more.”



## iPad Mini

Positioned above Amazon Fire tablets for one reason: longevity. Fire tablets are cheap for a reason — slow, limited, and kids outgrow them fast. The iPad Mini gets used for years, handles demanding apps, and holds its resale value. The smarter long-term investment.

→ Gets used for years vs. Fire tablets that become obsolete fast

“The Fire tablets are cheap for a reason: slow, limited, and kids outgrow them fast. The iPad Mini gets used for years.”

## Family Organization



### Skylight Calendar Max — 27"

\$569

Family Game-Changer — 4.6 Stars

The Skylight Calendar changed how our family operates. It syncs with Google Calendar, everyone can see what's happening at a glance, and the 27-inch screen is readable from across the kitchen. If you have kids with activities, this is the one purchase we make without hesitation.

→ 27" screen · 4.6 stars · syncs with Google Calendar

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