

Child-friendly

your toddler turns into a terror when you lop, these centres are equipped to entertain id look after your bundle of energy.

Kids Minding, Westfield Carindale, Qld, (07) 398 9688. It will take bored-of-shopping tots off ur hands for up to two hours for a maximum of \$6.

Play & Shop, Westfield Bondi Junction, SW, (02) 9947 8000. Its slogan is "a guilt-free, lid-free shopping experience". So, let the kids be tertained for up to three hours while you shop, the gym, or see a movie.

Hocus Pocus, Westfield Marion, SA, 8) 8358 4001. A café-cum-play area designed weary mums and not-so-weary little ones.

Lollipops Playland, Westfield Fountain ate, Vic, (03) 9705 9655. At Kath and Kim's rourite haunt, it features lots of play equipment for kids to enjoy.

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Fisher-Price yal Potty, 3.99, 1300 135 !, plays music

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kidsbits comuliu - With toys, paints, puzzles, gadgets, and art and craft, your kids will never be bored again.

belowing am - From the hilarious to the politically bent to the artistic, these American Apparel (read: won't shrink in the wash) tees will be more attention-grabbing than your bub.

memics com: - Comprehensive advice from the author of the classic Possum Magic, on how to read to tots and get them reading: rockyourbet; wooms; - For kids (and parents) with attitude. Think punkrockin' onesies and tees, old-school cool shirts and arty dresses.

Sweet

Two new PJ brands that will give your kids a good – and stylish – night's sleep.

If your kids are over itchy PJs that twist and ride up through the night, Snugglebum's longjohn sets and jumpsuits, made from soft cotton with a focus on snug cuts, will do the job.

Jumpsuit, \$39.95 (3mths-5yrs), 1300 657 131, snugglebum.com.au,



Monkey-Do's luxe sleepwear is soft and comfy but cute enough to also wear out - which makes it great for when you know they'll be asleep before you get home. (MEB BUY)

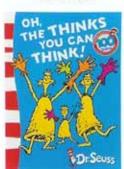
agine, by Alison Lester len and Unwin), \$13.95, rom Ariel Booksellers, (02) 9332 4581. A fun, interactive read that is signed to stimulate their dis (and yours) with optical ions, strange animals and crazy artwork.



I Can Fly, by Ruth Krauss (Golden Press), \$24.94, from Ariel Booksellers, (02) 9332 4581. First published in 1951, kids still love the cute rhymes and acting out the antics of the fun-loving main character. The illustrations are gorgeous.



Oh, The Thinks You
Can Think!, Dr Seuss
(HarperCollins), \$8.95, from
Dymocks, 1800 805 711.
Kids can't get enough of Dr
Seuss's crazy characters and
fun sounds. If your child can't
get into books, this just might
do the trick.



We're Going on a Bear Hunt, by Michael Rosen (Walker Books), \$14.95, from Dymocks, 1800 805 711. The short, simple sentences, fun noises and repetition will encourage the little ones to want to read. Plus, it's about an adventure, which they will love.

