

# The 'Unschooling' Movement: Letting Children Lead Their Learning

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Is a child who spends the day watching videos or playing in the backyard actually learning? Yes, say advocates of the “unschooling” movement.

## Guests

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