

#### IS YOUR HOME

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#### **POISONING YOUR CHILD?**

## Lead Poisoning Can Cause:

BEHAVIOR & LEARNING PROBLEMS

Low IQ



**COMA** 

**DEATH** 

**Hearing Loss** 

**Reduced Growth** 

### Why Is Lead So Bad?



- Lead hurts your child's developing brain and nervous system.
- Only a blood test can show if your child has lead.

## Where Lead Is Found:

**Old House Paint** 

Toys Makeup Water



Dust Jewelry

Soil

Home Remedies
Imported Candy

# **Prevention Techniques**



- 1. Wet mop floors, window sills, and other surfaces weekly.
- 2. Don't let children chew on leadpainted surfaces
- 3. Run cold water for 1 minute before drinking or using.



## Has My Child Been Tested?

Call your child's Doctor,

Or, if uninsured,

Find your Local Health
Department for a

Free Blood Lead Test:

1-800-328-3838

#### What Can I Do?



The ABCs of Lead Poisoning Prevention

Be Active – Protect Your Child Give Blood – Test Your Child Take Control – Save Your Child