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When you are designing a child's room, there is not a mandate that girls get pink and boys get blue. Children love color, all color. Instead of limiting yourself to a gender defined color, have some fun and decorate a real kid's room.

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rBright for Babies

rWhen you are assembling a room for babies or toddlers, use bright colors to grab their attention. Simple primary colors are lively and fun, and babies naturally gravitate towards them. If you look at toddler's toys, they are designed largely in primary colors. By just using a few clear and bold colors, you can create an exciting room that will really grab a child's interest. By keeping the main parts of the room neutral and adding bold splashes of color, you can easily change the look of the room as your child grows.

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rKids Love Characters

rFrequently small children have a favorite storybook character that you can design an entire room around. By zeroing in on a single theme, it is easy to select your color palette and accessories. Frequently you can find bedding printed with the character, and if you cannot, you can recreate your child's favorite scene from the story by using colors and textures that create the right atmosphere. For example, if you are recreating a forest scene, you could choose green and tan bedding with a chenille bead spread. Natural wood furniture would further the illusion of a house in the woods, and you can paint a mural on the wall which includes their favorite character. If instead you wanted to recreate an ocean scene, you could have blue and white bedding with sandy brown carpets and again a colorful mural on the wall.

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rPick a Favorite Color

rInstead of a favorite theme, your child may simply have a favorite color, and this can be a great way to decorate a room. You can use their color in a tone on tone design throughout the room, or you can use it as a bright accent color. Again by keeping the background neutral, you can change bedding and accessories whenever their color preference changes. Colorful [wall decals](#) are a great way to dress up a wall, and they are easy to switch out as the child's tastes change.

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rLet Older Children Choose

rAs your child grows up, they may want to design their own room, and you can encourage them to do this. They may even want to help with the painting, and they will probably do a great job. They may want to decorate around a theme like the beach, sports, horses, music, or even a favorite color, and all of these themes are perfect for a teenager's room. Again, if you keep your background fairly neutral, your teen will have some leeway to redecorate more frequently, because it will be easy and inexpensive. [wall decals](#) are a great option for a teen as well, and can be easily removed when they are on to the next idea. By changing accent colors, the room can change a little, and by changing bedding and accent colors, the room can change a lot. It is all up to your child and their imagination.

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rWith a little imagination, it is possible to decorate a child's room and not have it be an ode to blue or pink. You can inject a little of your child's personality into the room, and use bright bold colors instead - that is unless your child's favorite color is actually pink or blue!

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