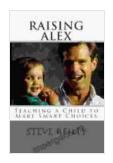
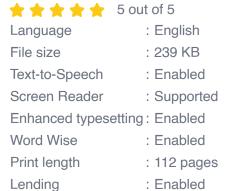
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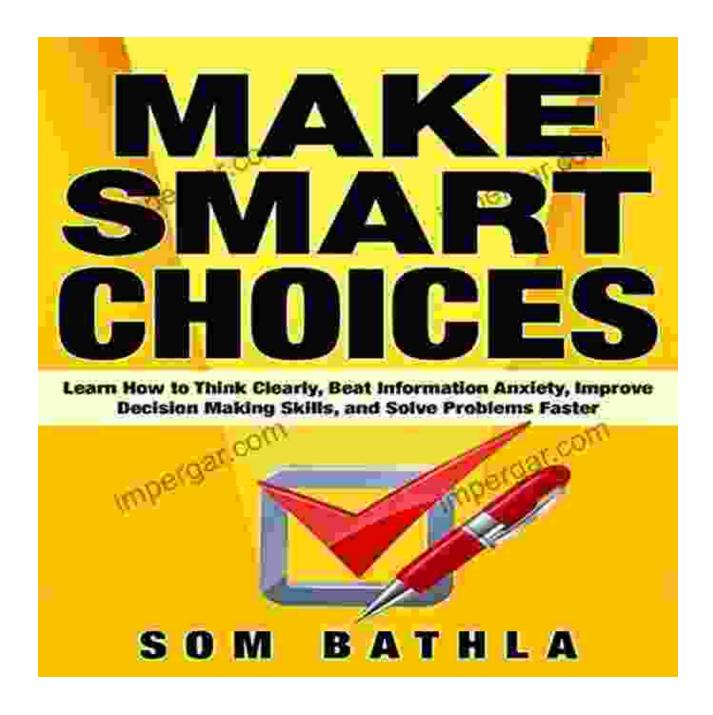


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## Why is teaching children to make smart choices important?

In today's world, children are faced with a multitude of choices, both big and small. From what to wear to what to eat to who to hang out with, the decisions they make can have a significant impact on their lives.

Teaching children to make smart choices can help them to:

- Become more independent
- Develop critical thinking skills
- Take responsibility for their actions
- Become more successful in school and life

### How can I teach my child to make smart choices?

There are a number of things you can do to teach your child to make smart choices. Here are a few tips:

- Start early. The sooner you start teaching your child about decision-making, the better. Even young children can learn to make simple choices, such as what to wear or what to eat.
- Be a role model. Children learn by watching the adults in their lives. If you want your child to make smart choices, you need to make smart choices yourself.
- Talk to your child about choices. Help your child to understand the different choices they have and the potential consequences of each choice.
- Let your child make mistakes. Everyone makes mistakes. The important thing is to learn from them. When your child makes a mistake, don't punish them. Instead, help them to understand what they did wrong and how they can avoid making the same mistake in the future.
- Praise your child when they make good choices. When your child makes a good choice, be sure to praise them. This will help them to

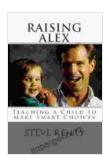
understand that you approve of their behavior.

#### **Additional resources**

In addition to the tips above, there are a number of resources available to help you teach your child to make smart choices. Here are a few:

- Teaching Your Child to Make Good Decisions (HealthyChildren.org)
- Decision Making (KidsHealth)
- How to Teach Your Teens to Make Good Decisions (Parents.com)

Teaching children to make smart choices is an important part of parenting. By following the tips in this article, you can help your child develop the skills they need to make good decisions and live a happy and successful life.



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