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- Set rules: Help children understand how and when screen time fits into their daily routine.

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- Create an office or shop.
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