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Thread: [Whats one thing you secretly miss about being a kid](#)

W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 3:37 am

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Mix - July 30, 2025, 3:58 am

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W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 4:25 am

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True, I think things would be different if we knew this information; it would almost create a butterfly effect. We would act differently, and things would be alot different.

Rsynced - July 30, 2025, 4:46 am

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W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 4:47 am

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Yes! I remember playing hide and seek and stuffing myself in a small, cramped crawl space in my parents' house, where I was never found. This was a big win as a kid :)

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It's the first thing I thought of when I read your threads title.

Mech - July 30, 2025, 5:48 am

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W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 5:52 am

(Jul 30, 2025 05:48 AM)Mech Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Not having any responsibilities at all. My biggest worry was how I was going to ask my mom if I could stay out all night long.

Yes, I definitely remember eating my supper so quickly because I could see my friends on my street playing ball hockey. It's definitely the cause of me eating and drinking too fast today! ?

Mech - July 30, 2025, 5:56 am

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W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 6:04 am

(Jul 30, 2025 05:56 AM)Mech Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Yep! My biggest concern was where my parents going to let me take my bike out and go meet up with friends. I cared about pretty much nothing else.

Oh yes, how much we loved our bikes! They were freedom machines! You knew it was time to come home when the street lights turned on. You said your goodbyes and made plans to meet up the very next morning. ?

HerrWinston - July 30, 2025, 6:24 am

Hmm i think my best answer is, everything was simple nothing to do just chilling all day playing with toys, everything got too serious too fast haha

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You're absolutely right, brother. I remember when I was supposed to go to soccer practice, but I was caught up in an intense Baal run with a great group of people in Diablo 2. Luckily, the soccer field was right beside my house, so I ran home, snuck in, and played for almost an hour. When I returned to practice, I told everyone I had cramps, and no one noticed. Yeah, I did that a lot!

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Hahahaha, i feel that, diablo was so fun, i admit when i was really young i always played strategy games like Warcraft or Starcraft, which i even play now sometimes ^^

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Brother! I rocked Warcraft I, II, and III, Starcraft, Age of Empires, and Diablo I, II, and LoD. I still play Diablo II: LoD, that's awesome!

ratty255 - July 30, 2025, 8:07 am

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W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 8:10 am

(Jul 30, 2025 08:07 AM)ratty255 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) No job, no responsibilities, no stress. Just living in the moment

Yea very well said. Now it's all about stress, bills, kids, and living for the weekend...

Mech - July 30, 2025, 8:17 am

(Jul 30, 2025 06:04 AM)W1NK1LL3RX Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Oh yes, how much we loved our bikes! They were freedom machines! You knew it was time to come home when the street lights turned on. You said your goodbyes and made plans to meet up the very next morning. ?

When the sun started setting you better get home! Drinking from the water hose, handling disagreements with fights and wrestling matches, not guns and knives.

Things were different...

(Jul 30, 2025 08:07 AM)ratty255 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) No job, no responsibilities, no stress. Just living in the moment

That's my exact thought as well. Things were so easy as a younger kid/teenager.

HerrWinston - July 30, 2025, 8:19 am

(Jul 30, 2025 06:50 AM)W1NK1LL3RX Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Brother! I rocked Warcraft I, II, and III, Starcraft, Age of Empires, and Diablo I, II, and LoD. I still play Diablo II: LoD, that's awesome!

YESS finally fellow Starcraft lover! I have sooo many hours in both parts ?

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And the video games. Damn if it wasn't great to be able to play a video game during the summer. Without a worry in the world. If I try and game now, my kids end up taking over and kicking me off the game!

Prawnster - July 30, 2025, 8:52 am

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Mech - July 30, 2025, 9:01 am

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Taxes are a ridiculous scam. The government takes your money, wastes it on inefficient programs, and gives you little control over how it's used. I am not about it. 40k a year per inmate locked up for heinous crimes, I'm good on that too.

xclouded1 - July 30, 2025, 9:12 am

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W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 9:58 am

(Jul 30, 2025 09:12 AM)xclouded1 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) The innocence, how everything was very vivid and colourful, the world felt dreamy back then.

Yes, when you remember those memories, you can still feel the way you felt back then.

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I'm sorry to hear that. I hope things are better today than they were in the past. Sending positive vibes your way!

Jamika - July 30, 2025, 11:58 am

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Playing football in the streets

W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 12:23 pm

(Jul 30, 2025 11:58 AM)Jamika Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Playing football in the streets

Ah yes, one of my many favorite pastimes as a kid was touch football, which turned into full contact every single time!

Omniscient - July 30, 2025, 12:31 pm

My grandparents. I miss them all the time.

grandbam - July 30, 2025, 12:31 pm

No responsibilities, and thinking \$1000 made me rich

W1NK1LL3RX - July 30, 2025, 1:05 pm

(Jul 30, 2025 12:31 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) My grandparents. I miss them all the time.

Same here, I think about them all the time. Grandparents on my mother's side owned a house with a 2.5-acre property in suburbia, which is unheard of in those parts. This was the hub for many of our friends growing up.

Mech - July 30, 2025, 7:45 pm

You know what else I miss about being a kid. Not having to cook my own meals or worry about what I am going to eat. Damn would it be nice to have a chef right about now.

Biggy_Asian - July 30, 2025, 7:47 pm

Old school fornite and gaming as a whole before the battlepass bullshit and micro transaction dick sucking.

diablospartan - July 30, 2025, 11:57 pm

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Nowadays people are all fake they are only for the money etc
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Yeah, I get what you mean. Back then, people felt more real and love seemed to matter more. Now it's like everything's about money or looks. I miss those simpler, honest times too.

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nofr33art - July 31, 2025, 7:50 am

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HerrWinston - July 31, 2025, 9:00 am

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Oh_Well - July 31, 2025, 9:23 am

It all comes down to responsibilities, but I miss how everyone was always available when you wanted to do stuff. Now even the smallest things must be planned weeks before happening

Radi - July 31, 2025, 9:43 am

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Tyr - July 31, 2025, 10:03 am

Ehhh I'd say half of everything... lol

Mech - July 31, 2025, 10:06 am

(Jul 31, 2025 07:50 AM)nofr33art Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) lol thats a fact
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That's the way to do it though. Live like your young while you still can.

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I feel that 100%. Back then, raising your K/D was like a full-time job, sweaty lobbies, broken controllers, and praying for a bot-filled match. Those were the glory days of gaming, when hitting a no scope or getting that clutch final kill felt legendary. It's wild how the games felt so smooth and alive back then, even if they feel stiff now. Nostalgia really adds that magic.

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God damn thats crazy, just make sure you sometimes eat a bit more, trust me your body will thank me xD

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Yess! (its not friday but i am on a bulk so i am allowing myself this one) ?

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I try my hardest not to cheat, but If i do it's typically because me or the wife doesn't feel like cooking, so we end up going out to eat.

But it is what it is, and I always enjoy the food in the moment and then hate myself afterwards lmao

Err0rX - July 31, 2025, 7:05 pm

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(Jul 31, 2025 07:43 PM)W1NK1LL3RX Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You're not alone in having the same wish. The good old days...back then my biggest worry was just waiting for Christmas and the gifts. Such beautiful days

Oh_Well - August 15, 2025, 6:56 am

This week I realized that I don't exactly miss anything from when I was kid, I just wish I didn't have to work.

Bills etc yeahhhh, but if you had some passive income or anything and you didnt have to work for 8 hours a day, it would really be life changing.

M2K - August 15, 2025, 6:57 am

The responsibilities, just like everyone else :D

K4RM4 - August 15, 2025, 6:48 pm

I miss the innocence of being a kid. No worries in the world, just have fun with your friends and be home when the street lights came on, or mom would be on the prowl hunting me down lol.