

Exorcists Warn Against Buying Ouija Boards As Gifts

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Exorcists and paranormal investigators are urging people not to buy the occult board game Ouija as gifts unless they want to invite demonic forces into their homes this Christmas.



The warning comes as Google predicted that the modern version of the Victorian-era 'spirit boards' will be a sell-out this Christmas.

The search engine company has confirmed the game, purportedly used to contact the dead through spelled-out messages, is one of the top trending gifts on its price comparison list this year following the release of the Ouija horror film last month.

While critics largely panned the film as cliched and horror-free, a Catholic priest based in Dublin who specializes in the occult, warned that messing around with the real thing can be horrifying,

"It's easy to open up evil spirits but it's very hard to get rid of them," the Vincentian priest and exorcist, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told the Sunday Independent.

"People, especially young people and teenagers who are likely to experiment with Ouija boards on a whim, can be very naive in thinking that they are only contacting the departed souls of loved-ones when they attempt to communicate with the dead using the boards.

“It’s like going to some parts of Africa and saying I’m personally immune to Ebola. But it does leave people open to all kinds of spiritual dangers. People don’t intend any spiritual harm by it, but we live in a spiritual realm and you have no way to control what may impinge on you.”

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