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## How to Make a Living Room Slob Proof

When interior designer Debbie Wiener makes over a room, her goal is twofold: 1) To create a beautiful environment that people are pleased to be in and 2) To “Slobproof” it. Debbie coined the term *Slobproof* to describe her philosophy of designing with **families and pets in mind**.

Here’s a living room that Debbie recently decorated. The room before was bland and lacked the warmth of the family. In fact, the room was so uninviting that the family and even the dog, spent little time there.

### *Before*



In order to combat the kid’s spills and the dog’s hair and messes, Debbie used textiles with **vibrant color and pattern**. Mixing warm and dark hues to contrast and complement, she created a space that has both playfulness and functionality.

### *After*



The furniture is from [Debbie’s Slobproof line](#), made to hold up to the roughhousing of both children and dogs. The line uses [Crypton fabric](#), that features a breathable moisture barrier that prohibits liquids from penetrating the fabric to the cushion below.



Debbie specified window treatments that are high enough to stay out of the way of children and pets, and she accented the space with a few key architectural found items such as the unique red lacquered table.



More family-friendly design ideas are available in Debbie’s recent book [\*Slob Proof! Real-Life Home Decorating Solutions\*](#).

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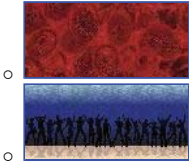
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