

playing to learn

age 4

blocks

all sizes of blocks and boxes, toys with different shapes that fit together

Your child learns:

- to plan and build
- how to solve problems



books

silly and funny books, rhyming books, stories about children or animals, stories about simple problems

Your child learns:

- that words and letters have different sounds



music

children's songs; pots, pans, boxes, drums, and other things to make noise with

Your child learns:

- that songs have rhythm
- that voices have different tones



objects

smaller beads to string together, children's scissors, puzzles

Your child learns:

- to make hands and eyes work together
- to work slowly and carefully



pretend

old clothes, dolls, doll clothes, puppets, masks, costumes

Your child learns:

- that some things are pretend and some things are real



touch and feel things

water and sand with pails and shovels, plastic tubes, art supplies

Your child learns:

- that they can make things happen
- how things feel
- how things move

