



Approaches to Learning Activity for 36 to 42 Months

Free Exploration

This activity allows children to experiment with the physical properties of blocks, using their problem-solving skills to build.

Materials:

- Assortment of wooden blocks
- Soft-foam blocks
- Small cars and trucks
- Small road signs

What to do:

1. Encourage the child to experiment with building, using both types of blocks.
2. Encourage her to use the cars and trucks as she builds.
3. Encourage the child to use her imagination and build whatever she wants. Also encourage her to share the blocks with playmates and work together to build.
4. Encourage thinking and creativity: "Tell me about what you are building. Where did you get that idea? How do you decide which blocks to use?"

