

LEGO PLAY (DUPLO OR MEGABLOCKS FOR SMALLER HUMANS)

12 Quick, Alternative Ways to Use Lego in Play.

<p>WATER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build something that floats • Sensory play with bricks in water • Have a bath and chuck in the lego • Pop it in water and freeze it - hammer it out of the ice or use salt or warm water to rescue the lego <p><u>ALWAYS SUPERVISE WATER PLAY</u></p>	<p>SAND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making containers or funnels to put the sand into • Just building with lego on a different surface • Hiding the lego in the sand
<p>COUNTING + NUMBERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make each number from the lego - you could use a base board to support this • Challenge to build towers with different amounts of bricks 	<p>LITERACY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make your name • Make letters using the bricks • Stick stickers onto the bricks or use a whiteboard pen to create simple words
<p>SHAPE, SPACE + MEASURE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What's the tallest tower you can make? • Can you make a round building? • What the widest object you can build can it hold your toy? • Make 2D or 3D shapes • Comparing the shape and sizes of different bricks. 	<p>BUILDING CHALLENGE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the instructions that come with the lego to follow, there are also You Tube videos to support building • You + your child have the same bricks, they build you copy then swap • Make a maze out of lego on a base board and get a ball to move around it. • Build your own game - could you make a bat or ball with the lego and invent a game? (bowling, hoopla, marble run)
<p>FINE MOTOR ACTIVITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Push into play dough and make different moulds from the lego • Use with kinetic sand 	<p>PAINTING + PRINTING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pop paint into a tray or plate use the lego to dip in and make a number pattern, or a sky scraper with the different shapes
<p>COLOURS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colour sort the objects • Use different pieces of paper or found objects to match the colours - use objects around the home. • make a rainbow 	<p>FREE PLAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask the children what they would like to do! I think sometimes with spend ages thinking of ideas when actually their imagination works brilliantly.