

# PLAY-BASED LEARNING

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"CHILDREN NEED  
THE FREEDOM  
AND TIME TO  
PLAY. PLAY IS  
NOT A LUXURY.  
PLAY IS A  
NECESSITY."

## WHAT IS PLAY-BASED LEARNING?

Play-based learning provides children with the opportunity to acquaint themselves with the world around them. They do this through exploration and inquiry that arises in the midst of play. It should be open-ended to allow for full immersion and exploration and child-led to give the child a sense of autonomy.



### The Value of Play

You say that you love your children,  
And are concerned that they learn today,  
As am I, that's why I'm providing  
A variety of kinds of play.

You are asking what's the value  
Of having your children play?  
Your daughter's creating a tower,  
She may be a builder someday.

You're asking me the value  
of blocks and sand and clay.  
Your children are solving problems,  
They will use that skill every day.

You're saying that you don't want your son  
To play in that sissy way.  
He's learning to cuddle a doll,  
He may be a father someday.

You're questioning the learning centers,  
They just look like useless play.  
Your children are making choices,  
They'll be on their own someday.

You're worried your children aren't learning  
And later they'll have to pay.  
They're learning a pattern for learning,  
For they'll be learners always.

~ by Laurie Monopoli

## BENEFITS OF PLAY-BASED LEARNING

- SUPPORTS COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT

Play supports an array of cognitive skills in children. During play, children are actively using problem solving tactics, receptive and expressive language, and turn-taking.

- ENCOURAGES RELATIONSHIP BUILDING AND SOCIAL SKILLS

Children often times initiate play amongst peers during this approach. They are able to share their findings and bond over their common interests.

- AIDS IN EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Through play, new concepts are introduced and processed. This ranges from emotional regulation, to developing a child's sense of confidence.