

Ages & Stages ★ PRESCHOOL

3 years

Children may enjoy dramatic play such as playing doctors or shop keepers. They may talk to themselves and copy other children. They will often be happy playing alone but may ask adults to join in.

Suggested toys:

- dress-ups
- kitchens, tea sets, work benches
- dolls, cradles and prams
- construction (duplo, blocks etc)
- balance bikes and scooters
- garages, dolls houses etc
- board games/cooperative games
- threading/pattern toys
- floor puzzles
- tents



4-6 years

Children may be more inquisitive and ask more questions. As their language develops they may be interested in letters and numbers. Their physical and social skills may develop and improve.

Suggested toys:

- board games/cooperative games
- construction (lego, marble runs)
- animals, dinosaurs, sea life
- dress-ups and pretend play
- science experimental play
- 30 to 150 piece puzzles
- puppet theatres
- bikes and scooters
- sporting equipment

