

## When I play I learn

Many people ask me why the children have so much play time. Children learn through play. They learn hands on experiences. I heard someone say that a child's play is his work. Play is such an important part of our curriculum. Children learn through play. Here are a few examples of how.

### **When I play with games and puzzles I learn...**

<i>Shapes</i>	<i>Numbers</i>
<i>Colors</i>	<i>Counting</i>
<i>Sizes</i>	<i>Positions</i>
<i>Sorting</i>	<i>Cooperation</i>
<i>Spatial relationships</i>	<i>Sharing</i>

### **When I play with art materials I learn...**

<i>New Words</i>	<i>Pride in my work</i>
<i>Eye-Hand Coordination</i>	<i>Independence</i>
<i>Problem Solving</i>	<i>Self-reliance</i>
<i>Colors</i>	<i>Cooperation</i>
<i>Color Mixing</i>	<i>How things work</i>
<i>Creativity</i>	<i>Shapes</i>
<i>Properties of matter</i>	<i>Textures</i>

### **When I play with blocks I learn...**

<i>Gravity</i>	<i>New Words</i>
<i>Position</i>	<i>Problem Solving</i>
<i>Size</i>	<i>Numbers</i>
<i>Eye-hand Coordination</i>	<i>Design</i>
<i>Shapes</i>	<i>Math</i>
<i>Balance</i>	<i>Creativity</i>

### **When I play "Let's Pretend" I learn...**

<i>Sharing</i>	<i>Independence</i>
<i>Self Reliance</i>	<i>How it feels to be someone else</i>
<i>Eye-hand Coordination</i>	<i>Cooperation</i>
<i>Respect for others feelings</i>	<i>Respect for others property</i>
<i>New Words</i>	<i>Self Confidence</i>

### **When I read a book or am read to I learn...**

<i>New Words</i>	<i>Expressive Language</i>
<i>Sentence Structure</i>	<i>Logical Thinking</i>
<i>Listening Skills</i>	<i>Eye-hand Coordination</i>
<i>Reading Skills</i>	<i>Creativity and Imagination</i>
<i>A love of books</i>	<i>Sequence</i>
<i>New Information</i>	<i>Left to right progression</i>