

Building large outdoor constructions

This deconstructed child led role play activity encourages your nursery children to create their own imaginative world outdoors, through planning and building large constructions.

It's a great activity for promoting outdoor play, with lots of learning opportunities throughout, from creating their own plans, to working through the correct joining processes for different materials.



Resources

- Large pieces of paper e.g. lining roll
- Mark making resources e.g. paints, crayons
- A range of different sized cardboard boxes and tubes
- Crates
- Tyres
- Planks
- Tarpaulins or sheets
- Rope or string
- Building blocks
- Camera.

Activity Outline

- Talk to the children about what large construction they would like to make e.g. castle, pirate ship, cave, bus or train, superhero hideout
- Encourage the children to draw what they are going to make, just like an architect does with plans for their buildings
- Discuss which materials will they use for each area, how they will connect the different materials together and if there's anything else they need
- Get building!
- Have children take photos of their constructions to look back on.