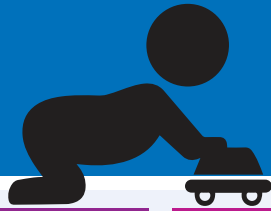




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Play in ECE

START

Types of play:

Free or 'pure' play
Children have all the control, and adults are passive observers

Guided play
Teacher-child collaboration, with the child's interests foregrounded

Teacher-directed play
Playful learning processes to meet predefined outcomes

Play positively impacts:

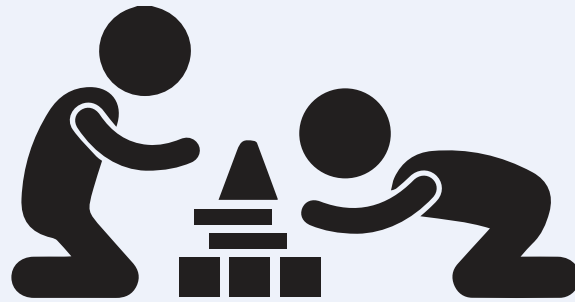
Building strong relationships, resilience and persistence

Social and emotional development

Cognitive and academic development

Wellbeing

Physical development



Executive function skills

Creativity and thinking

Exploration and discovery

Teachers' varied roles:

Leader:
intentionally planning to extend children's play

Enhancer:
extending children's thinking and knowledge

Facilitator:
preparing and resourcing environments

Onlooker:
building children's autonomy

Let's play!

Co-creator, player or participant:
engaging in sustained shared thinking

Challenger:
identifying and deepening learning opportunities

Supporter or helper:
scaffolding children's learning

