

Toy Shop Role-Play Area

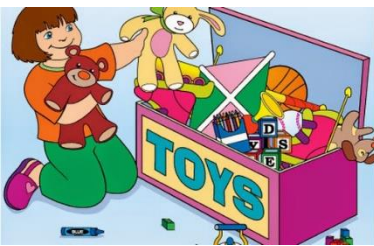
When children are playing in our role-play areas at school they are developing a range of skills including: reading, writing, maths, communication and social interactions.



Encourage your child to help in setting up a pretend 'Toy Shop'.

Ideas for getting started:

- Ask your child to choose some of their toys that they could pretend to sell in their shop.
- Encourage them to write a price tag for each toy.
- Make a headband with a strip of paper and ask your child to write 'Shopkeeper' on it.
- Suggest to them that they write some signs for their shop.
- Gather together some coins in 2 pots: 1 for the customers and 1 for the shopkeeper.
- Prepare some pieces of paper and a pencil for the shopkeeper to write a receipt for each sale.



Take it in turns with your child to be the shopkeeper or customer. *[Your child might like to pretend that some of their teddies are customers too.]*

Support them to count out the correct number of coins to pay for each item.

Challenge them to use their addition skills to calculate the cost of two items.

Maybe you could pay 10p for an item costing 8p and they could calculate how much change they would need to give you, using their subtraction skills.

