

Design a Playground

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30-45 min

Easy

Your Challenge

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What You'll Need

- Paper
- Markers or crayons
- Cardboard
- Blocks
- Tape
- Recycled materials, optional

Talk About It

- What makes your playground fun?
- How does your design help keep people safe?
- Who can use the playground?
- Is it easy to move around?
- What would you improve?



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Caregiver Tip

You do not need to give the answer. Ask a question, notice what happens, and let your child decide what to try next.

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Step-by-step activity guide

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What to Do

- 1 Think about who will use the playground.
- 2 Ask what those people might need.
- 3 Choose features such as slides, swings, climbing areas, rest areas, and accessible spaces.
- 4 Draw your playground idea.
- 5 Build a model if you want.
- 6 Think about how people will move through the playground.
- 7 Ask someone for feedback.
- 8 Change one part of your design based on what you learned.



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Change one part of the playground to make it safer, easier to use, or more welcoming for more children.