Let’s Play!
Let’s Play Program

Why is Play Important
Where it All started
Playkits
How to Bring it All Together
What Does the Future Hold
Why Play?
Let’s Play Begins
The Grant/How it got put together

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Project Title: Get Ready for School with PLAY

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What Now?
Cataloging Playkits
# Cataloging Playkits

**Format:** Kit  
**Title:** Construction Site Kit  
**Publisher, Date:** [China] : [Learning Resources]. [2022]  
**Description:** Construction Site Kit/Book. "Mighty, Mighty Construction Site" or "Little Excavator," 6 piece set in clear plastic box with lid includes: saw, hammer, screwdriver, wrench, drill, and toolbox.  
**Summary:** Play-Kit container filled with age-appropriate materials for one child in your household to play with. Materials are appropriate for children 3-5 years of age and are meant to be enjoyed with caregiver support. A guide is included with ideas for using the play kit materials.  
**Series:** Mesa Public Library Stuff  
**Subjects:** Stuff-rary  
**Construction play**  
**Construction lab set.**  
**Other Author:** Learning Resources  
**Other Title:** Play-kit  
**Notes:** Play-kits #1-5 contain "Mighty, Mighty Construction Site." Play-kits #6-10 contain "Little Excavator."  
Play-Kit must be returned to the Main Library directly to a staff member at the circulation desk. A library staff member will inventory the kit upon return (contents are listed on the materials list in the kit). Notify staff if any of the parts are damaged or lost.  
**System Availability:** 10
What's Inside A Playkit

Construction kit
Play Materials for programming
The Importance of Imaginative Play!
Creating a play space!
Interest Areas

House Area

Grocery Store

Blocks
Interest Areas

Arts and Crafts

Light Table

Manipulatives
Interest Areas

Dramatic Play – Theme Materials

Train Table
Construction Site

Child putting his tools in his tool belt.

Building Blocks that look like real cinder blocks are a hit!

The magnetic tiles are very popular! These three made a great tower!
Camping

- Tents
- Fishing pools w/magnetic fish
- Plastic Bugs w/nets
- Play smores and food w/fire
- Toy lanterns w/real light
Veterinarian Office

- Stuffed Animals
- Animal Carrier
- Grooming equipment
- Veterinarian tools
- Paper for prescriptions
- Stickers
Doctors Office

Baby Dolls & Doctors Kits with a variety of medical toys

Medical Carts for the patient

Blocks & Train Table
What’s Next

Busy Boards

Play Clothes

Sensory Play
New Playkit Ideas

**INSECTS ACTIVITY IDEAS**

- Bugs in a Jar
- Playdough bug fossils
- Count & Clip

**MUSIC ACTIVITY IDEAS**

- Song Curbs
- Easy musical sensory bin

**SIMPLE MACHINES ACTIVITY IDEAS**

- Pulley Power
- Craft Stick catapults

Resources:

- [https://rainc_RESP_0yu.com/buric-inflammatory-monst_res.html](https://rainc_RESP_0yu.com/buric-inflammatory-monst_res.html)
- [https://www.pinterest.com/pin/26098412572587](https://www.pinterest.com/pin/26098412572587)
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Questions?

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