

SESSION 6 Leaflet for parents Play: a child's perspective

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I don't know how this works

I can't do it

I like it when Grandma plays with me

I want mummy to play with me

I want to copy mummy – she puts things in the oven too

I'm bored

Why does Daddy keep taking my bricks away?

How come he can play with my toys?

I'm not as good at that as she is

That's MINE!

I wonder if that will hurt?

I don't want to do it your way

But I like to paint the faces blue

Who cares 'How many there are?'

How come it's time to stop – we're having fun!

I don't want to play – I always end up having to tidy up.

I wonder how far I can throw this?

Look mummy – I can paint the whole settee blue!

I wonder what happens when you eat this?

Now I've made two pencils out of one



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Play: a parent's perspective

Why can't you just play quietly?

Stop bothering me – I'm busy

Can't you ask Daddy to play with you, I'm too tired

It's all very well other people playing with him – they don't have the tea to cook, the laundry to do, the shopping to get

There's no way I'm playing with her after she's been so naughty today

Stop putting things in the oven!

I'm bored

I quite like building with bricks!

Why can't you two just share nicely!!

Look! I can build a great castle!!

If you're not going to share
then I'll take the toys off you

It's your own fault – I
told you not to climb up

Why don't you listen!

I don't know how to
play with children

My parents never played with me –
kids these days are so demanding

He'll never learn if he insists on
painting everything the wrong colours

I don't have any good ideas –
what if he thinks I'm dull

This is a fun way to learn numbers and colours

No matter how long I play with them,
it's never enough for them

If children get something out, they've
got to learn to put it away again

Oh no – look at all that blue paint everywhere!

Will you just play nicely!

Stop eating/throwing/breaking everything

I'm not too good at reading – what if my child asks me to read her a book?

