



Role-play areas

Role-play areas should be inclusive and encourage all children to access and enjoy the space. Stimulate your children's imaginations with lots of varied resources.

Observe and evaluate your role play area considering:

- Use of the area
- The range of role play resources
- Limitations of current resources
- Can children act out their own life experiences?
- Location of the area
- Do practitioners currently lead play in this area?

Once you have evaluated your own area consider the possibility of setting up a "Whatever you want it to be" area.

These can include:

- Boxes
- Fabrics
- Tubes
- Crates
- Natural resources.

Themed boxes can also be introduced after observing current play in the area, they can also be used by adults as a teaching tool, by children copying the theme of the adult or can be used in non-related play.

