

Play to Learn, Learn to Play

A Select List of Brown County Library Books

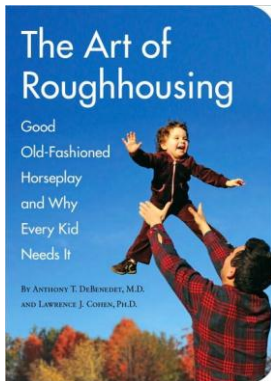


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Parent/Teacher Collection

[The Art of Roughhousing: Good Old-Fashioned Horseplay and Why Every Kid Needs It](#) by Anthony T. DeBenedet

Nothing beats a good old-fashioned pillow fight to reconnect with your kids. This book asserts that good-natured roughhousing is a lost skill that has great value for children. In this age of video games and the Internet, enjoying physical play with a child can help build confidence, boost imagination and aid in problem solving. Try some of these playful wrestling activities with your child and see how much fun you both have!



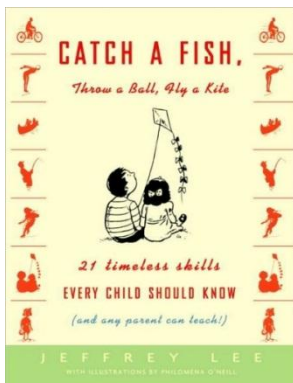
[The Asperkid's Game Plan: Extraordinary Minds, Purposeful Play... Ordinary Stuff](#) by Jennifer Cook O'Toole

[Baby Minds: Brain-Building Games your Baby will Love](#) by Linda P. Acredolo

[Block Play: The Complete Guide to Learning and Playing with Blocks](#) by Sharon MacDonald

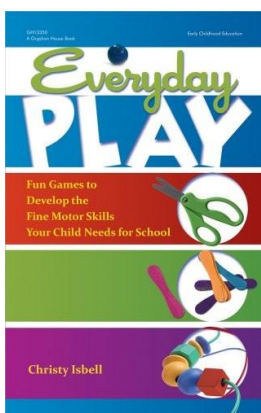
[Catch a Fish, Throw a Ball, Fly a Kite: 21 Timeless Skills Every Child Should Know \(and any Parent can Teach!\)](#) by Jeffrey Lee

With kids connected to tech devices daily, some of the games and skills our parents and grandparents enjoyed have become lost to time. This slim volume reintroduces the joy of simple pleasures like working a yo-yo, skipping a stone, flying a kite, making paper airplanes and counting the stars. Try one activity each week for a season of fun and unplugged play.



[Child's Play: Montessori Games and Activities for your Baby and Toddlers](#) by Maja Pitamic

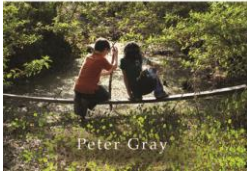
[Encouraging your Child's Imagination: A Guide and Stories for Play Acting](#) by Carol E. Bouzoukis



[Everyday Play: Fun Games to Develop the Fine Motor Skills your Child Needs for School](#) by Christy Isbell

Free to LEARN

Why Unleashing the Instinct to Play Will Make Our Children Happier, More Self-Reliant, and Better Students for Life



[50 Early Childhood Literacy Strategies](#) by Janice J. Beaty

[Free to Learn: Why Unleashing the Instinct to Play will Make our Children Happier, More Self-Reliant, and Better Students for Life](#) by Peter Gray

[Games Babies Play: From Birth to Twelve Months](#) by Vicki Lansky

[Games to Play with Toddlers](#) by Jackie Silberg

[Games to Play with Two Year Olds](#) by Jackie Silberg

[Imagine Childhood: Exploring the World through Nature, Imagination, and Play](#) by Sarah Olmsted

[Learning Games: Exploring the Senses through Play](#) by Jackie Silberg

[Let Them Play: An Early Learning \(Un\)curriculum](#) by Jeff A. Johnson

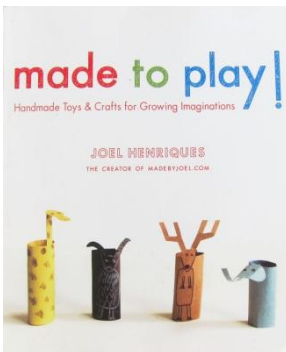


[Let's Play and Learn Together: Fill your Baby's Day with Creative Activities that are Fun and Enhance Development](#) by Roni Leiderman

[Let's Play: \(Un\)curriculum Early Learning Adventures](#) by Jeff A. Johnson

[Literacy Play: Over 300 Dramatic Play Activities that Teach Pre-Reading Skills](#) by Sherrie West

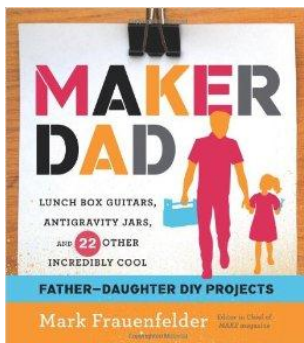
[Made to Play!: Handmade Toys and Crafts for Growing Imaginations](#) by Joel Henriques



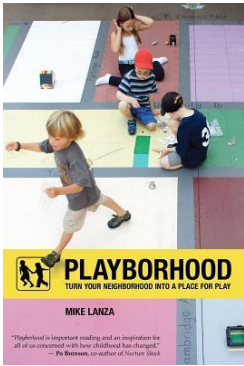
[Magic Capes, Amazing Powers: Transforming Superhero Play in the Classroom](#) by Eric Hoffman

[Maker Dad: Lunch Box Guitars, Antigravity Jars, and 22 other Incredibly Cool Father-Daughter DIY Projects](#) by Mark Frauenfelder

[Make your Own Preschool Games: A Personalized Play and Learn Program](#) by Sally Goldberg



[Making Toys for School-Age Children: Using Ordinary Stuff for Extraordinary Play](#) by Linda G. Miller



[Mister Rogers' Play Time: Encourage your Child to Create, Explore, and Pretend with Dozens of Easy-to-do Activities](#) by Fred Rogers

[No Regrets Parenting: Turning Long Days and Short Years into Cherished Moments with your Kids](#) by Harley A. Rotbart

[Playborhood: Turn your Neighborhood into a Place for Play](#) by Mike Lanza

[Playful Learning: Develop your Child's Sense of Joy and Wonder](#) by Mariah Bruehl

[Playful Parenting: A Bold New Way to Nurture Close Connections, Solve Behavior Problems, and Encourage Children's Confidence](#) by Lawrence J. Cohen

[The Power of Play: How Spontaneous, Imaginative Activities Lead to Happier, Healthier Children](#) by David Elkind

[Prop Box Play: 50 Themes to Inspire Dramatic Play](#) by Ann Barbour

[Proud Parents' Guide to Raising Athletic, Balanced, and Coordinated Kids: A Lifetime of Benefit in Just 10 Minutes a Day](#) by Karen Ronney

[Raising Musical Kids: A Guide for Parents](#) by Robert A. Cutietta

[Reading Games](#) by Jackie Silberg

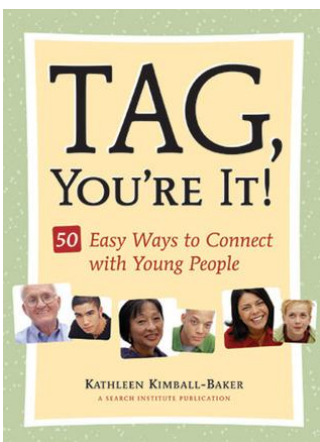
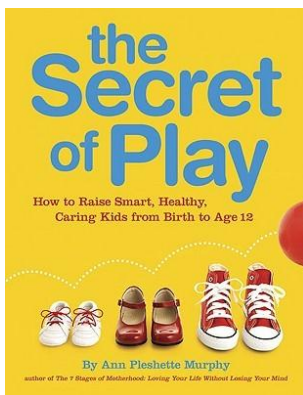
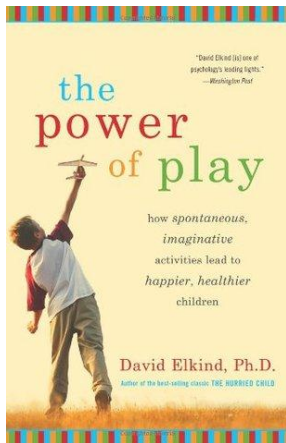
[Ready to Play!: A Tale of Toys and Friends and Barely any Bickering](#) by Stacey R. Kaye

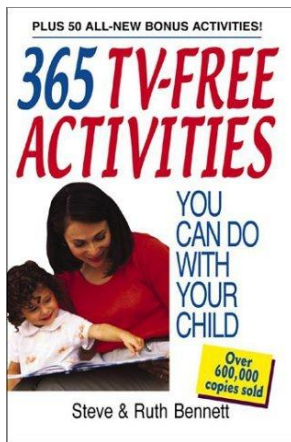
[Sand and Water Play: Simple, Creative Activities for Young Children](#) by Sherri West

[Screen Time: How Electronic Media—from Baby Videos to Educational Software—Affects your Young Child](#) by Lisa Guernsey

[**The Secret of Play: How to Raise Smart, Healthy, Caring Kids from Birth to Age 12**](#) by Ann Pleshette Murphy

Raising smart, healthy kids isn't rocket science. But it is a full-time, hands-on job—so you might as well make it fun. Playtime is learning time; this book introduces age-appropriate educational activities, why they are important and how you can have fun with them as well.





[The Socially Included Child: A Parent's Guide to Successful Playdates, Recreation, and Family Events for Children with Autism](#) by Laurie LeComer

[Social Skills Picture Book: Teaching Communication, Play and Emotion](#) by Jed Baker

[Superbaby: 12 Ways to Give your Child a Head Start in the First 3 Years](#) by Jenn Berman

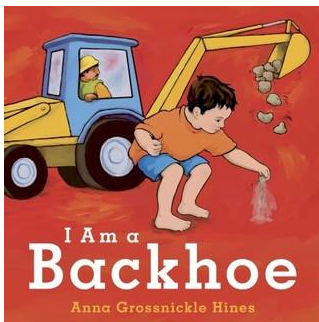


[Tag, You're It!: 50 Easy Ways to Connect with Young People](#) by Kathleen Kimball-Baker

[365 Days of Creative play: For children 2 years & Up](#) by Sheila Ellison

[365 Games Smart Toddlers Play Creative Time to Imagine, Grow and Learn](#) by Sheila Ellison

[365 TV-free Activities you Can do with Your Child](#) by Steven J. Bennett

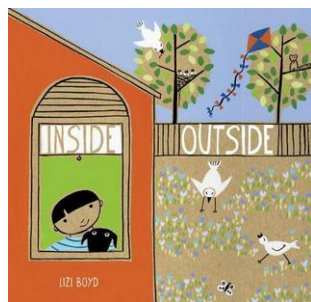


[Toddler Play](#) by Wendy S. Masi

[Toddlers at Play](#) by Marilyn T. Daniels

[Unplugged Play: No Batteries, No Plugs, Pure Fun](#) by Bobbi Conner

Children's Picture Books



[The Day I Lost my Superpowers](#) by Michael Escoffier

[Dog Wants to Play](#) by Christine McDonnell

[Giddy-up, Daddy!](#) by Troy Cummings

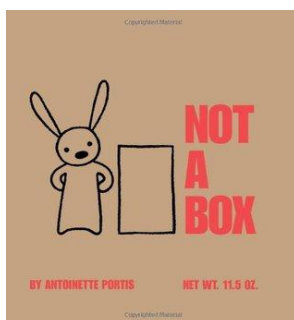
[Have Fun, Molly Lou Melon](#) by Patty Lovell

[I am a Backhoe](#) by Anna Grossnickle Hines

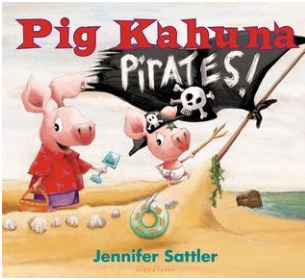
[I'm Me!](#) by Sara Sheridan

[Inside Outside](#) by Lizi Boyd

[Let's Go, Baby-o!](#) by Janet McLean



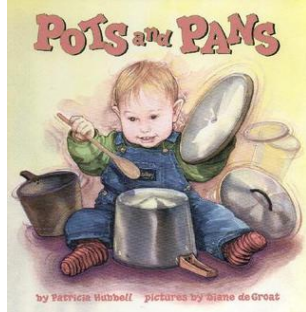
[The Line](#) by Paula Bossio



[Not a Box](#) by Antoinette Portis

You know kids would always rather play in a cardboard box than with the toy that came inside it, right? This picture book, designed for the very young, uses simple line drawings to show a bunny and his plain old box and the very not plain things he turns it into—a robot, a race car, a rocket ship. Every child ages 2 to 5 can relate to this story about imagination.

[Nothing to Do](#) by Douglas Wood



[One Busy Day](#) by Lola M. Schaefer

[Pig Kahuna Pirates!](#) by Jennifer Gordon Sattler

[Playful Little Penguins](#) by Tony Mitton

[Playground Day!](#) By Jennifer J. Merz

[Playing with Friends](#) by Rebecca Rissman

[Pots and Pans](#) by Patricia Hubbell

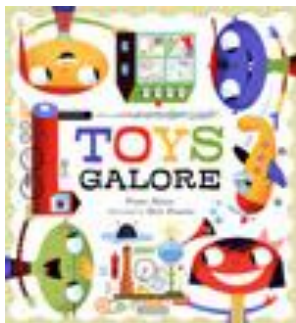
[Rain Play](#) by Cynthia Cotten

[Share](#) by Sally Anne Garland

[Today with Meg and Ted](#) by Kimberly Gee

[Toys Galore](#) by Peter Stein

[What Shall we Play?](#) by Sue Heap



Children's Beginning Readers

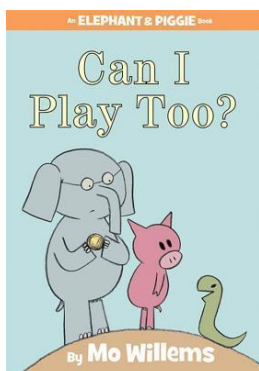
[Biscuit and the Little Pup](#) by Alyssa Satin Capucilli

[Biscuit Wants to Play](#) by Alyssa Satin Capucilli

[Can I Play Too?](#) by Mo Willems

[Chick & Chickie Play all Day!](#) by Claude Ponti

[Chutes and Ladders: 1, 2, 3, Come Play with Me](#) by Jackie Glassman



[Jack and the Toddler](#) by Sindy McKay

[Max and Ruby Play School](#) by Rosemary Wells

[Rex and Lilly Playtime](#) by Laurene Krasny Brown



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