



Why Block Play? Engaging a child in block play could be beneficial in these ways

IMPROVES problem-solving ability.

TEACHES social skills.

PROMOTES creativity & imagination.

BUILDS analytical and reasoning skills.

TESTS their motor skills.

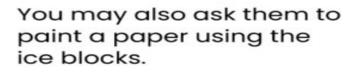
IMPARTS them with spatial sense.

> Block Substitutes For Preschoolers

> > **ICE CUBES**

Freeze ice cubes trays with water and food colors.

Use them as blocks for a short activity.





Cut sponges into







smaller blocks.



Dip them in watercolors to get the desired color.

Ask them to arrange the sponges to create a tower.



Color egg cartons / boxes.



Let them assemble cartons/boxes after they've dried.

You may also paint numbers, letters, and shapes on the cartons/boxes.

PLAY-DOH

Ask your childto shape the Play-Doh into blocks.

Use them for the games.

You may also carve letters and numbers on the Play-Doh to make games more fun.

References: Ten Things Children Learn From Block Play; naeyc Annual Conference



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