

Suggestions for Toys 3-6

Active play for Indoors: Small trampoline, rocking horse, non-electric pushing toys (cars, trucks, planes, boats, and tractors), and pulling toys (small wagon to transports toys).

Active Play for Outdoors- Large wagon, balls of all kinds, tricycle or bicycle with helmet, swings, slide, and climbing apparatus.

Imaginative Play- Stuffed animals, dolls that neither talk or perform bodily functions, clothes for dolls, child's play house, dress up clothes (depicting real people such as policeman/woman, cowboy/girl), dollhouse with furniture and family, hand and finger puppets, play kitchen with accessories, play household items (telephone, broom, mop, dustpan, work bench, etc), imaginative play sets (cash register with money, play farm with animals, jungle set with animals, service station with transportation vehicles, train set with necessary parts, horse ranch w/horses, and vets office w/pets).

Art Supplies- Crayons, colored pencils, construction paper, scissors, glue, play-doh, easel with paint, and sewing activities (stringing beads, lacing cards, and sewing with a needle or weaving for the older 5-6 year old child).

Music and Dance-Child-size rhythm band instruments (maracas, rhythm sticks, drum, tambourine, and triangle) CD collection of age-appropriate music, and 2-3 colorful scarves for dancing.

Board Games- Candy Land, Chutes and Ladders, I spy Eagle Eye, cooperative games (Lost Puppies, Count your Chickens, Stone Soup, Hoot Owl Hoot, From Head to Toe) Cat in the Hat I can So That Game, Zingo, Today is Monday, Clue, Jr. Scrabble, Jr. Checkers.

Building Toys- Wooden blocks, legos (duplos 3-4 years), Puzzles with knobs, and jigsaw puzzles.

Suggestion For Books

Non-fiction: Beautiful, realistically photographed or illustrated books with limited text.

Fiction: Ms. Kathy's Top 20 Children's Books

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| 1. Where The Wild Things Are | 11. Grandfather Twilight |
| 2. The Very Hungry Caterpillar | 12. Make Way For Ducklings |
| 3. The Giving Tree | 13. The Little Engine That Could |
| 4. Ferdinand | 14. The Cat In The Hat |
| 5. The Little House | 15. Curious George |
| 6. Blueberries for Sal | 16. Mike Mulligan and the Steam Shovel |
| 7. Good Night Moon | 17. Corduroy |
| 8. The Snow Day | 18. Love You Forever |
| 9. If You Give A Moose A Muffin | 19. Madeline |
| 10. Owl Moon | 20. Polar Express |