

WHO SAID "BUT ALL CHILDREN DO IS PLAY?"

WHEN I PLAY WITH "YOU", I LEARN...

that you care about me!
about the world around me

confidence
to smile

give and take
to trust

WHEN I PLAY "LET'S PRETEND", I LEARN...

new words
how it feels to be someone else
self-confidence
expressive language
respect for others' property & feelings

sharing
eye-hand coordination
independence
cooperation

cleaning up
problem solving
self-reliance

WHEN I PLAY WITH ART MATERIALS, I LEARN...

colors
how things work
eye-hand coordination
pride in my work
independence

color mixing
new words
problem-solving
textures

properties of matter
creativity
shapes
self-reliance

WHEN I READ A BOOK OR AM READ TO, I LEARN...

sequence (L-R progression)
listening skills
creativity and imagination
eye-hand coordination

new words
a love of books
logical thinking

sentence structure
new information
reading readiness

WHEN I PLAY WITH WATER OR SAND, I LEARN...

new words
effects of gravity
buoyancy
expressive language
creativity and imagination

properties of matter
measuring
textures
weights
eye-hand coordination

problem solving
sorting
cooperation
sharing
using five senses

WHEN I PLAY ON LARGE MUSCLE EQUIPMENT, I LEARN...

coordination
taking turns
confidence
rules of the road
common traffic signs

sharing
sequence
how things work
imagination
direction

new words
time
first to last
creativity
position

WHEN I PLAY WITH BLOCKS, I LEARN...

balance
eye-hand coordination
problem solving
numbers
self-confidence

gravity
shape
new words
pride

position
size
creativity
design

WHEN I PLAY WITH GAMES AND PUZZLES, I LEARN...

eye-hand coordination
sorting
spatial relationships
counting
sharing

problem solving
colors
new words
cooperation

shapes
sizes
numbers
positions