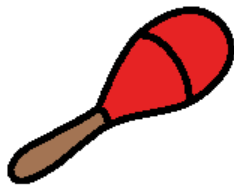


Cause and Effect Play

Cause and Effect is an important stage in a child's development of play and learning. This kind of play helps the child to learn that their actions can have an effect in or on something else and encourages the beginnings of problem solving.

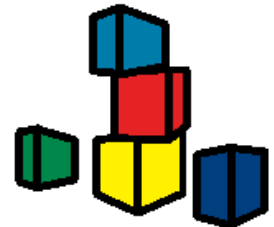
The activities below all help to develop cause and effect skills:

Give the child toys they can squeeze and shake



Pull and push along toys

Stack cups or blocks into a tower then knock them down.



Play with musical toys such as shakers, drum, keyboard, xylophone, musical push-button toys.



Lift the flap books and books that make noises.

React to the child's actions and sounds with a fun familiar response, for example, every time the child drops a toy, say "uh oh!"

Play with pop-up toys such as a jack-in-a-box, pop-up-animals.

