

ACTIVITY TIME

Find Out About: Kindness

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Playing together is learning!

Help children learn the power of kindness in everyday life with this fun lift-the-flap book.

You will need:

- Template
- Crayons to decorate
- Scissors
- Glue or sticky tape
- Small, clean recycled containers such as yoghurt pots, margarine containers, strawberry punnets, etc
- Items for tea party (optional).

Instructions:

1. Colour in the template items and cut out.
2. Attach the templates to items of recycling to create your own teapot and cup set.
3. Set up the items as a tea party at a table.
4. Add in any other items such as teddies, flowers, or some fruit or food for a snack.

Ideas for play:

- Talk with your child to discuss who they would like to invite to the tea party. It could be for a toy, a family member, a friend, or someone from their imagination.
- Discuss with your child how they can make the tea party special for their friend to show them kindness. What is their friend's favourite snack? Maybe write a special invitation?
- Enjoy a tea party together and spend time chatting and talking, letting your child direct the conversation.

More information

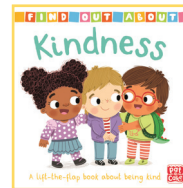
Some of the most important learning takes place in a child's first five years. Young children need opportunities to discover early in life how to share, to be patient, to manage their emotions and to develop empathy – to understand how others may be feeling. It takes practice and repeated experiences from watching role models for children to being to understand these concepts.

Songs to sing

If You're Happy and You Know It, Polly Put The Kettle On, or Five Currant Buns.

Key message

Children learn by watching and copying.



Adult supervision is required at all times when children play or are around water.



***You can introduce simple Science Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) concepts to children aged 2+ years through every day play.**

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