



Road-Building Challenge 1

Use magnetic tiles to build a route from Bear's home to an ice cream shop. When Lion and the trees block the return trip, help Bear reach home by changing the road.

Helps Your Child Grow



Cognitive Self-Regulation (Executive Functioning)

Meeting a small obstacle and changing the magnetic-tile route gives your child experience trying another way to solve a problem.

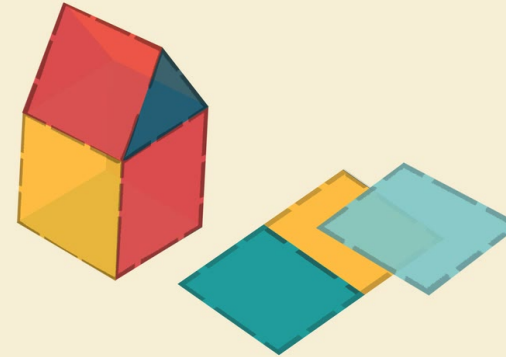


Fine Motor

Aligning and connecting tiles one by one gives your child practice coordinating the eyes and hands for precise placement.



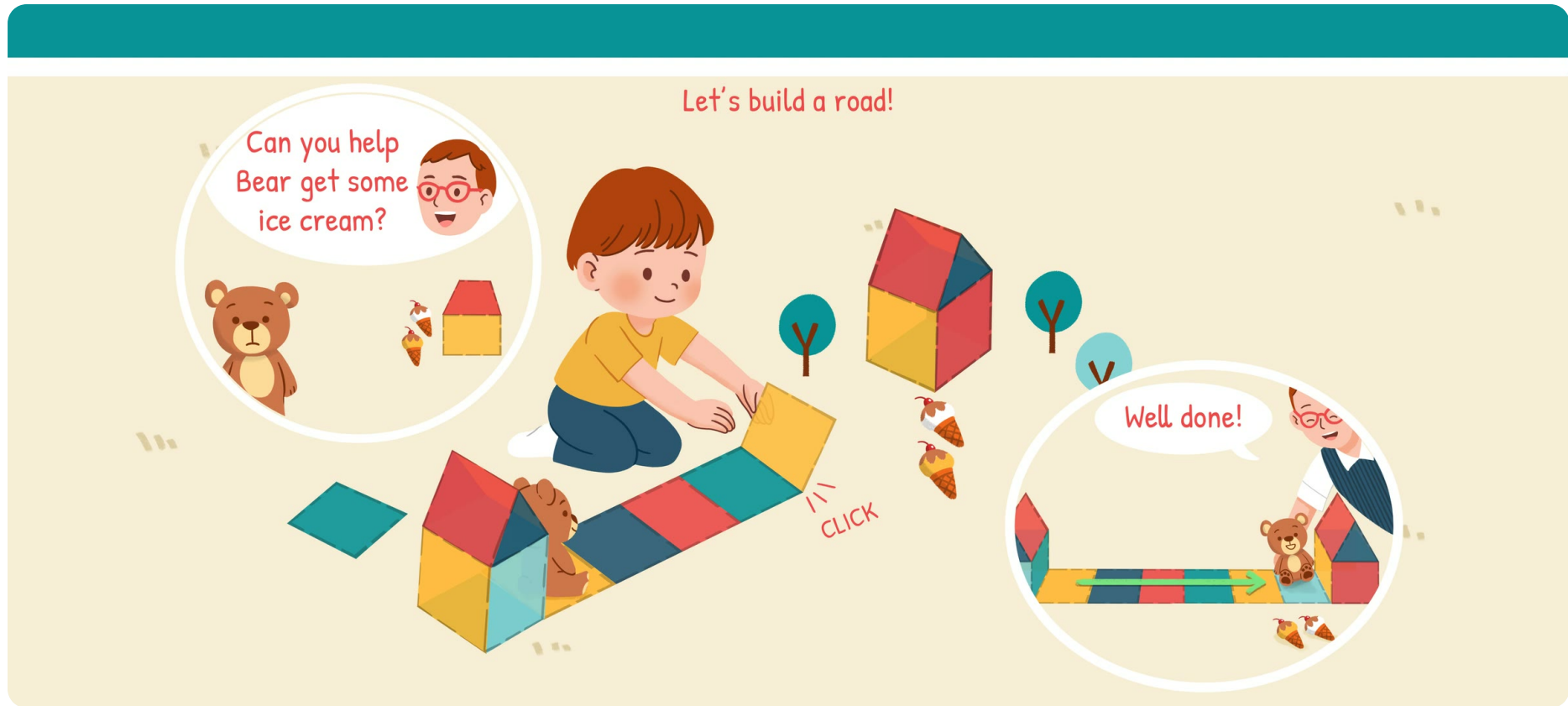
Toys



Magnetic Tiles

What You'll Need

1. Animal figures and magnetic tiles



Build Bear a Road to the Shop

Use magnetic tiles to build Bear's home and an ice cream shop, then add a few toy trees. Ask how Bear could travel from home to the shop. If your child suggests a road, invite them to build it with more tiles.

Observations

- Suggests using magnetic tiles to build Bear a road to the ice cream shop
- Connects the magnetic tiles one by one

Tips

- If no idea comes yet, place the first road tile as a clue and let your child continue.
- For a two-year-old, a simple straight route is enough. The road does not need a complex design.



Lion Blocks the Way

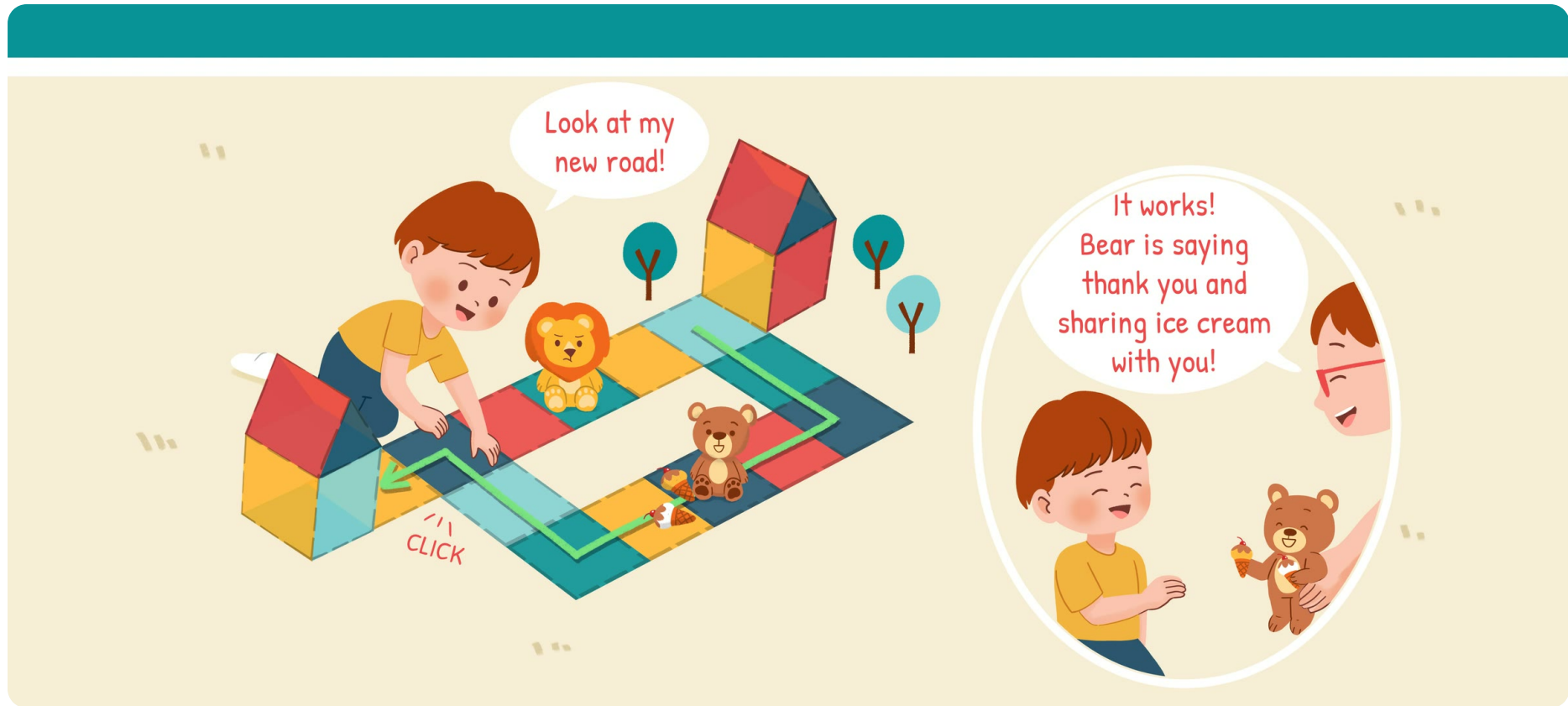
When Bear has the ice cream and starts home, place Lion in the middle of the road and pretend he wants to take it. Ask your child to build a new route. If a tree blocks the new path, invite another change.

Observations

- Builds a new route around Lion after your prompt
- Treats Bear and Lion as characters in the pretend story

Tips

- If your child keeps using the old road, let Lion pretend to eat the ice cream and Bear show disappointment so the story problem becomes clear.
- If building stops, invite your child to look around the two houses for another open space before offering an answer.



Build Around the Obstacles

Once the new road goes around Lion and the tree, let Bear carry the ice cream home. Speak as Bear to thank your child for the effort, then pretend to share the ice cream.

Observations

- Shows happiness after helping Bear
- Moves the road to the other side after a tree blocks the route

Tips

- A new road may take several attempts. Encourage your child to change the route, direction, or tile placement around each obstacle.
- There is no single correct road. A longer route succeeds if it helps Bear reach home without passing Lion.