Better Parenting

Fix the Road for Bunny

Work together to repair the road and get Bunny to the station.

Helps Your Child Grow



Relationships with Other Children

Getting the rabbit to the station with a peer gives your child practice cooperating and using roles or turns when both children want the same part of the game.



Creativity

Building a route and driving the rabbit to the station invites your child to represent the roles of architect and driver in pretend play.

Steps

- This is a cooperative game for two children. Gather magnetic tiles, a rabbit toy, a small car, and two toy houses. Place one house at each end of the play area as Bunny's home and the train station.
- Introduce a mission that needs teamwork: "Bunny wants to reach the train station, but there's no road. What can we do?"
- Listen to the children's ideas, then help them make a cooperative plan: "Let's build the road together. One person can find the tiles while the other connects them. Does that work?"
- Create natural opportunities to help each other by passing materials, finding a needed piece, or connecting tiles together.
- If both children want the same role, help them divide the job or take turns. One can drive while the other makes the train sound, or they can alternate trips.
- When the children cooperate, describe exactly what worked: "You passed the tile, and your friend connected it. You built the road together!"

Tips

- Add another story problem that requires cooperation: "A big rock is blocking Bunny's door. How can we move it together?"
- When conflict happens, help each child name how they feel, listen to the other idea, and discuss a solution. The conflict becomes a real opportunity to practice expressing, negotiating, and cooperating.

Observations

- ◯ Builds a road with a partner
- ◯ Pretends to be a driver and drives the little rabbit