

Rolling & Stopping

You will need

A big and little ball and a big and little car.

How to play

Sit with a group of up to four children in a circle.

Encourage the children to roll the ball/car along the floor to get some practice at rolling the ball /car and stopping it.

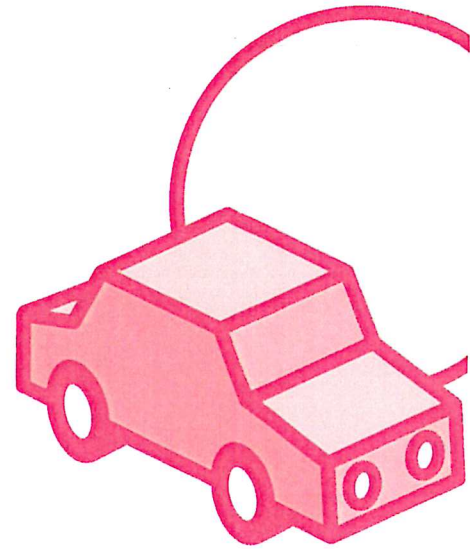
In turn allow each child to choose what they want to roll e.g. **"The big ball"** or **"the little car"** etc. If the child needs support to make a choice give them a choice, e.g. **"Do you want the big car or little car?"** If they just point you can tell them what they have pointed to, e.g. **"Oh you want the little car."**

The children then roll the chosen ball/car to each other.

When every child has had a turn at rolling and stopping the chosen object, get the next child to choose which ball/car they want to roll.

To encourage and develop

Understanding, taking turns and attention and listening.



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General strategies for children with language needs

Help the child to wait for their turn by using a gesture such as holding your hand up in a 'stop' sign and saying **"(Child's name) waiting."** or by gently resting your hand on their hand or arm and saying **"(Child's name) waiting."**

To develop this activity try

Encourage each child to ask the child on their left to choose an object they would like everyone in the group to roll to each other. Give every child a chance of asking another child and choosing an object.

Encourage each child to indicate whose turn it is next by getting them to turn and look at the child they have chosen.

