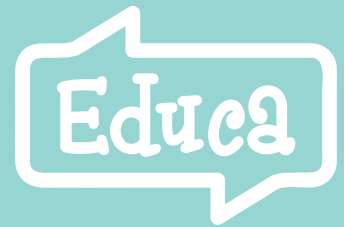


12 Features of Play

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- 01** Children use first hand experiences from life.
 - 02** Children make up rules as they play in order to keep control.
 - 03** Children symbolically represent as they play, making and adapting play props.
 - 04** Children choose to play - they cannot be made to play.
 - 05** Children rehearse their future in their role play.
 - 06** Children sometimes play alone.
 - 07** Children pretend when they play.
 - 08** Children play with adults and other children cooperatively in pairs or groups.
 - 09** Children have a personal play agenda, which may or may not be shared.
 - 10** Children are deeply involved and difficult to distract from their deep learning as they wallow in their play and learning.
 - 11** Children try out their most recently acquired skills and competences, as if celebrating what they know.
 - 12** Children coordinate ideas and feelings and make sense of relationships with their families, friends and cultures.
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