Small World

Decourage Learning Tutoutions Characteristic of		
Resources	Learning Intentions	Characteristic of
		Effective Learning
What adults provide:	Personal, Social and Emotional	Playing and Exploring -
Dinosaurs	Sharing and taking turns	engagement
Cars/ trucks/ trains/ Tractors	Continue to be interested, excited and	Showing curiosity about
Garage	motivated to learn	objects, events and people
Farm Animals	Communication and negotiation	Engaging in open-ended activity
People	Communication and Language	Showing particular
Builder's trays with sand/ soil/	Build up a vocabulary that reflects the	interests.
stones/ grass	breadth of their experiences	
	Begin to talk to pretend imaginary	Active Learning -
Enhancements	situations	motivation
Cardboard boxes/ crates/ tyres		Not easily distracted
Dens	Physical	Paying attention to detail
Natural materials (branches/	Respond to rhythm, music and story by	Enjoying meeting
cones/ pebbles/shells)	means of gesture and movement	challenges for their own
Building Blocks	Fine and gross motor skills	sake rather than external
Musical instruments		rewards or praise.
Hats/scarves/accessories	Literacy	·
Tape recorders	Story making	Creating and Thinking
Books	Recognise familiar words and signs	Critically - thinking
Paper	Gives meaning to marks they make and	Thinking of ideas
Pencils	see	Finding ways to solve
Clipboards		problems
	Mathematics	Making predictions
What adults do: Observe,	Spatial awareness	Developing ideas of
Model, Comment, Repeat,	Directional and positional vocabulary	groupings, sequences,
Describe, Extend, Question.	Problem solving	cause and effect
		Reviewing how well the
Key Vocabulary: Pretend, Voice	Understanding the World	approach worked.
High/ low, Happy/ sad, Quiet/	Join construction pieces together to	
loud, Speaking/listening, Change,	build and balance	
Move, Fix, Make, Pattern,	Comment and ask questions about where	
Inside/ Outside, Light/ Dark	they live and the natural world	
	Enjoy imaginative and role-play with	
Some questions to ask What did	peers	
he/she say? Do you know how?		
Why? Where? What can you?	Expressive Arts and Design	
	Engage in imaginative play and role-play	
	based on own first-hand experience	
	Play alongside other children who are	
	engaged in the same theme	

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