



Road map to Progress EYFS – Construction Skills

2-3 year old

AUTUMN

- Stack and knock down towers.
- Carry, transport and move resources around the environment.
- Investigate different sizes and shapes.
- Begin to fit objects together.

SPRING

- Build simple towers independently.
- Experiment with balancing objects.
- Combine blocks and construction pieces.
- Begin to understand that structures can be made taller or wider.

SUMMER

- Build simple structures with intention.
- Create enclosures and spaces.
- Combine different construction resources.
- Talk about what they have built.

3-4 year old

AUTUMN

- Stack and join materials with support.
- Build simple towers and lines.
- Investigate size, shape and balance.
- Use vocabulary such as build, tower, tall, big, small.

SPRING

- Construct simple structures independently.
- Combine different construction resources.
- Begin to create enclosures and spaces.
- Use positional language such as on top, under, next to.

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Reception

AUTUMN

- Create recognisable models and structures.
- Select appropriate materials independently.
- Build more stable and complex structures.
- Explain choices and ideas to others.

SPRING

- Test and improve designs.
- Identify and solve problems relating to balance and stability.
- Combine different construction systems and materials.
- Evaluate what works well and what could be improved.

SUMMER

- Design and create detailed, purposeful structures.
- Build models from imagination and real-life experiences.
- Use a range of joining, balancing and construction techniques confidently.
- Explain how and why structures have been created.