

A PLAYFUL PAST

Early Years Digital Visit



Thank you for supporting the learning of children participating in **A PLAYFUL PAST Early Years Digital Visit** with the State Library of South Australia.

LEARNING WITH THE STATE LIBRARY

Learners will explore the concept of play and why people play. They will study images of historical toys and games from the State Library's Children's Literature Research Collection and learn more about the role of their State Library in collecting, preserving and sharing the histories and stories of South Australia.

Key inquiry questions include:

- *What is play and why do people play?*
- *How is the present different from and similar to the past?*

Many elements of this program have been co-designed with children to provide relevant learning experiences that effectively engage early years learners.

The learning experiences are aligned with the Australian Curriculum, with a particular emphasis on the learning area of Humanities and Social Sciences: History and the general capabilities of literacy, critical and creative thinking. Effective learning principles strongly underpin the learning design.

SUPPORTING THE LEARNERS

We appreciate your time, effort, and interest in supporting learners during this learning experience.

Your role will be the adult member of a small team of up to 5 children. You can support their learning through:

- modelling effective listening skills
- asking questions that encourage them to think, feel and make decisions such as:
 - What do you notice, see, hear, feel...?*
 - What do you think? Why do you think that?*
 - What is the evidence?*
 - Can you tell me more?*
 - Why might...?*
 - What if...?*
 - What are the similarities/differences?*
 - What questions do you still have?*
- being a 'guide on the side' who assists children to be independent so they are doing the thinking, talking and making

We hope to provide all participants with an engaging learning experience and look forward to your Digital Visit.



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