

# Building Towers

## Primary Objectives

7a. Uses fingers and hands  
11b. Persists

## Why It's Important

Using blocks to build a tower will help your child develop her fine-motor skills. She will also learn about how things relate to space and develop pride in what she can do by herself.

## Materials

Blocks; box or dishpan

## What You Do

1. Put a set of blocks into a box or dishpan. Set out the box for your child to explore.
2. As she plays with the blocks, encourage her to see how high she can stack them.
3. When the tower eventually falls, have her count the blocks that made up the tower. *You had a lot of blocks in your tower! Would you like to help me count them?*
4. Encourage your child to continue building towers. When the tower falls, she can count the blocks and stack them up again or play with the blocks in her own way. Support her persistence in approaching the task.
5. Explain to your child that the blocks will be available for her to use again at a later time.