


PLAY TYPES

- Symbolic Play**: A child talking on a mobile phone.
- Locomotor Play**: A child hanging from a tree branch and another climbing it.
- Recapitulative Play**: A child dressed as a Viking.
- Creative Play**: Two colorful handprints.
- Exploratory Play**: A child building a sandcastle.
- Communication Play**: Two children talking.
- Role Play**: A child inside a cardboard box.
- Fantasy Play**: A child in a purple wizard costume.
- Socio-dramatic Play**: A child pushing a baby carriage.
- Object Play**: A child with a top hat.
- Mastery Play**: A child standing by a campfire.
- Deep Play**: A child building a brick wall.
- Rough and Tumble Play**: Children playing on a trampoline.
- Dramatic Play**: A child on a stage with an audience.
- Social Play**: Children playing with a jump rope.
- Imaginative Play**: A child with a thought bubble of a tree.


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