



### Pyramid Support at Home Activity Plan: Building with a Variety of Materials

**Description:** There are a variety of building materials that you can use based on your learner’s interest, age, abilities, etc. Also be willing to try new things and be creative!

**Materials:** Wooden blocks, foam blocks, magnet tiles, Legos, Duplo blocks, pillows/blankets, Lincoln logs, K’Nex, toothpicks/marshmallows/fruit, popsicle sticks/glue, cardboard, Squigz, cardboard/boxes

#### Supplemental Links:

STEM Building Resource-

<https://www.mass.edu/stem/documents/preschoolcurricular/CEES%20Curriculum%20Building%20Things.pdf>

<https://www.teachengineering.org/>

Building Materials YouTube Video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JCKSMsbpn1Y>

**POTENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES** – You DO NOT need to do these all at once. Remember you can run the activity multiple times and focus on the same or different learning opportunities each time you do the activity. Take a look below or brainstorm your own learning opportunities and pick a few to focus on when working with your learner.

Requests	Comments	Directions	Critical Skills	Other Learning Opportunities
-Materials (block, tile, pillow, etc.)	- Awesome, Fantastic, Sweet, Cool, etc	-Prepositions in a direction (on, under, next to, in between, on top of etc.)	-Work on waiting	- Independently setting up and cleaning up materials
-Colors	-Crash!	-Put _____	-Work on turn taking	-Counting Blocks (Quantities)
-Texture (bumpy, soft)	-Its _____ (tall, etc) +attribute	-Take _____	-Requesting Help	-Patterns
-Size	-I don’t like	-Add _____(e.g., 2 big blue) blocks	- Answering a yes/no question	- Planning – set up blocks, crash into them, etc
-Shape	-It feels _____	-Look	- Tolerating “no” if something is not available and making another choice	-Rolling a ball to knock down
-Quantity		-Stop	-Saying no	-Imitation with materials
-Directing another (mom put on top)		-Gesture to something	-Following a schedule	-Sequencing
- Gain attention (look, use name, etc.)		** These can be given vocally, with a picture, etc		-Categorizing