

Compare Lengths and Heights – Practical Activities

Advice and ideas

Maths

Provide the children with cubes and a range of cards with different language related to length and height. Ask the children to fit the cubes together and compare the size of their towers.

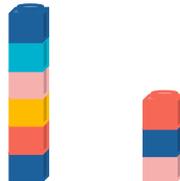
Writing

Provide the children with clipboards. Encourage them to explore and compare the length and height of items around the room. Ask them to write their comparisons on their clipboard.

Maths

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Use the cards to compare.



taller



shorter



longer

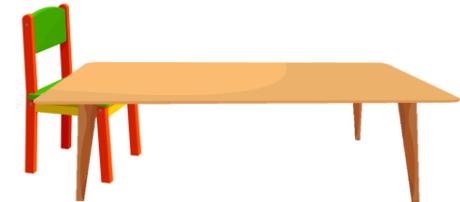
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Compare length and height.



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Home Corner

Provide a range of kitchen utensils in the home corner. Ask the children to pick 3 and compare their length. Encourage them to use comparison language such as 'shorter' and 'longer'.

Sand

Ask children to build two sandcastles and compare their height. Which castle is the tallest/shortest? Extend this by asking them to build a third that is taller or shorter than the first two castles.

Home Corner



**Which is longer?
Which is shorter?**



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Sand



**Compare
sandcastles.**



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Tuff tray

Put a range of ribbons in the tuff tray, ensuring they are different sizes. Ask the children to pick them out and compare the length. Extend this by providing scissors, ask children to cut and compare their own.

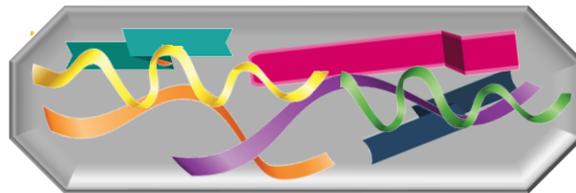
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Provide the children with glue and strips of paper of different lengths. Ask them to sort the strips in size order from smallest to longest and assemble them to create a pyramid.

Tuff tray



Order and compare.



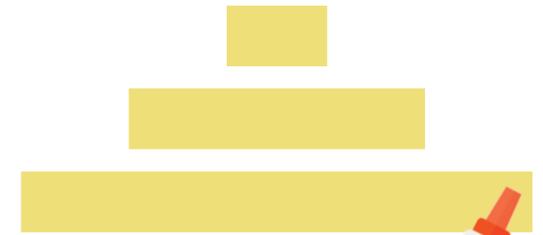
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Creative



Make a pyramid.



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