

Recommended Age: 25-30 Months

**STEM concepts:** science (physical science), engineering (engineering), math (number sense and operations, measurement)

Materials: wooden, foam or plastic blocks

**What to do:** Give the blocks to your child and let them build. They may stack them next to each other and this would be a good time to show them they can stack them high.

Language and Communication: As your child builds, talk with them about balance,

stacking and gravity. Count the blocks they use in their structures. Talk with them about ways they can improve their structure to make it balance better or stand higher. Ask them about what they are building and encourage them to build as high as they can.

**Expand the Activity:** Show them how they can knock them over and build a new tower or structure. Add plastic animals to give a purpose for their structure. (Homes, shelters, eating areas)

