

## Why Play Games?

Organized games are an extension of a child's natural way of learning. Through the social interaction of playing a game a child can ...

- Develop eye hand co-ordination
- Strengthen fine and gross motor development
- Expand problem solving skills
- Build self esteem as skills increase and new skills emerge
- Understand the concept of rules
- Learn to follow rules in order to play
- Practice taking turns
- Develop language and math skills
- Learn the concept of setting goals
- Strengthen sense of team work
- Develop an understanding of winning and losing
- Deepen a sense of culture
- Build family relationships

**HAVE FUN!**

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