



- 7 Monday:** Stick collected leaves to a long piece of clear tape and hang in the window as a garland.  
*clear tape  
leaves*
  
- 8 Tuesday:** Create different patterns with blocks, such as ABAB, ABCABC, AABBAABB. Line them up, or see how high of a tower you can make!  
*Lego or other blocks  
butcher paper  
markers*
  
- 9 Wednesday:** Set up a very simple obstacle course with cushions (line them up, stack them, make small ramps and tunnels) and have toys to crawl across to find.  
*pillows & cushions  
ball or other toys*
  
- 10 Thursday:** Use play dough balls to make patterns based on color.  
*play dough (made or  
store bought)*
  
- 11 Friday:** Work on a simple family tree together to show relationships between immediate family and grandparents.

- 12/13 Over the Weekend:** With the list that you brainstormed last week, Categorize them on the “Categorizing Your To Do’s” sheet. Cross the ones that no one enjoys off your list! Highlight the to do’s that YOU enjoy doing in one color. Highlight what your family enjoys in another color.

[Click here](http://room.handsonaswegrow.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/categorizing-to-dos.pdf) to download and fill out the “Categorizing Your To Do’s” sheet or visit: <http://room.handsonaswegrow.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/categorizing-to-dos.pdf>

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## Leaf Garland

**Supplies:**

*plastic bottles  
ball*



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1

Lay out a long piece of clear tape, sticky side up.

2

Stick collected leaves to sticky side of tape.

3

Hang garland of leaves in a window. Repeat for more!



*Tips:*

*You can also paint the leaves before hanging them up! How pretty!*

*It's helpful to keep the tape length to a couple of feet, make several smaller strands to hang from the top of a window (instead of 6 feet to span across a window)*

*Any tape works for this! However clear tape will be more visually appealing so your eye sees the leaves.*



## Lego Patterns

**Supplies:**

- Lego or other blocks
- butcher paper
- markers



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1

Trace different shapes of blocks, or different colors, in a pattern (ABAB, ABCABC, AABBAABB for example) on a large sheet of paper.

2

Have your child continue the pattern with the blocks.

3

Reverse it, have your child start a pattern and you finish it!



**Tips:**

You can also stack the blocks in a pattern and build a tower (this works great with Lego blocks)!

Start with simple patterns for your child to get the hang of it. Red, green, red, green. And then move on to harder patterns, such as AABBAABB.

Make sure you have enough blocks of the colors and shapes you're making the pattern with to continue the pattern through at least twice.



## Cushion Obstacle Course

**Supplies:**

- pillows & cushions*
- ball or other toys*



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1

Lay out cushions and pillows on the floor, stacking them somewhat over each other to make little ramps and tunnels.

2

Set out a favorite toy on the cushions to crawl or walk across to get it.

3

See what fun simple cushions can be!



**Tips:**

*When setting up the cushions be sure to make little ramps and tunnels by overlapping them.*

*It may be easier to ask your toddler to come over and play with you and see where he stands, then move the toys to the other side, or underneath. Keep moving them around.*

*Once the fun starts to wear off, ask your toddler to move the cushions around to make her own obstacle course.*





## Play Dough Patterns

*Supplies:*

*play dough (made or store bought)*

1

Roll two colors of play dough into small balls.

2

Start a pattern for your child to follow by setting out 3-4 of the play dough balls.

3

Have your child continue the pattern with the play dough balls.



*Tips:*

*You can also make patterns by size, or shape (play dough formations).*

*The simplest of patterns is ABABAB, you can make it more difficult for older kids by doing AABBAABB or ABCABC and so on.*

*Younger kids may just want to line up the balls regardless of pattern. Use this as an opportunity to label the colors (or shape or size).*