

ACTIVITY TIME

Shoo You Crocodile!

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It can be lots of fun pretending to be a crocodile! Snap your arms like a crocodile's snapping jaw and run as fast as you can to catch each other as you play. This game develops your child's body and their brain as they sing, match colours AND be active all at the same time. It is best played in an outdoor space but can also be played inside where there is room to move. You can play with just your child, or if you can find a few people to join in, it can be even more fun!



How to play:

- 1. One person pretends to be the crocodile and stands out in front of the other player/s
- 2. The other players stand in a line, a few metres away from the crocodile, to create a gap which is the 'river'
- 3. The players in the line sing a chant:

Crocodile, crocodile,

Lay across the river.

If not, why not?

What's your favourite colour?

- 4. The 'crocodile' calls out a colour
- 5. Any player that has that colour on, runs across 'the river' to a designated safe spot which is called 'home' while the 'crocodile' chases them and tries to catch them
- 6. Any player who doesn't have that colour on is safe, and they have a 'free walk' across the river
- 7. Whoever is caught becomes the 'crocodile' in the next game.

To keep it interesting instead of running across the river change the action to crawl, jump, hop etc.

Songs

Row, Row, Row Your Boat, Round and Round The Garden, Shake My Sillies Out - https://youtu.be/X_36mGXbsLY.

Key message

Children learn through being engaged and doing.





Adult supervision is essential. Involve and talk with your child as much as possible.



*You can introduce simple Science Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) concepts to children aged 2+ years through every day play.

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