



10 HANDSON ways to create a great place for young children

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- #1 Look at the room you use. Would you find this an exciting and interesting place to be?
- #2 Get down on your knees and move around the space. See things from the perspective of a small child
- #3 Hide things that are not appropriate or relevant so that the children focus on what is important
- #4 Make resources available and accessible, label them and train them to tidy away
- #5 Let the children know this is their space using photos and examples of their creativity
- #6 Get outside as much as possible and become immersed in the great place God has created
- #7 Use soft furnishings to create a sense of comfort and security...a home from home
- #8 Use the floor rather than tables and chairs...avoid it feeling too much like school
- #9 As much as possible use open-ended materials as play resources: boxes, paper, fabrics, blocks etc
- #10 Ask the children what they would like in their space!