

# Dress-Up Role Play

Ages 4-9 · 30 min · Small group

## Learning intention

This experience supports children to develop a confident self-identity and to build narrative and language.

## You'll need

- Dress-up costumes
- Face paint (patch-test first)
- Props

## How to do it

1. Set out a range of dress-ups linked to children's interests.
2. Children choose costumes and create characters.
3. They invent and act out their own adventures.
4. Encourage cooperative storytelling between characters.

## Framework links

### MTOP

- **1.3** Children and young people develop knowledgeable, confident self-identities and a sense of positive self-worth
- **5.1** Children and young people interact verbally and non-verbally with others for a range of purposes

### NQS

- **1.2.3** Child directed learning - Each child's agency is promoted, enabling them to make choices and decisions that influence events and their world.

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