

PLAY

is for Everybody

Adapting Play for Everybody

Switch adapted toys are great! And! They aren't the only way to adapt play for every child. Try changing...

The Set Up

Location

Switch up where play takes place. On the floor, on a table, on a tray, higher, lower...!

Stabilize

Stabilize the item. Tape, clips and clamps, zipties, mounts, suction cups, pvc pipes, hooks...!

Define

Define the area. Make it easy to see and find. Bumpers, trays, colored tape, magnets, contact paper...!

The Item

Extend

Make it bigger! Add a handle, add a grip. Give it loops or handles. Twist ties, pipe cleaners, string, badge reels, ribbon...!

Enhance

Add some sensory to it! Colors, textures, sounds smells... Make it shiny, make it crinkly, make it musical, make it high contrast!

Hack

Switch Adapting can be useful! You can buy it (\$\$\$), look for DIY tutorials (easier than you think!), or outsource to a techy friend.

Expectations

Reason

Remember why we play! Don't worry about optimizing everything. Use it as a chance to connect and laugh.

Plan

Switch up the plan! Use materials a different way, or only focus on part of an activity. Knock things over instead of stacking them up!

Type

All Play is Okay. Follow your child's lead and discover what they think is fun/funny. Build play around that!