

Social stories can help a child with specific needs, such as playing safely in the block area. They are often used to help a child take the perspective of others and think about how they might handle a specific situation. The social story below is an example created with a child in mind who is learning to build relationships, handle frustration, and cope with sensory needs that often relate to needing space their space.

Build your own to fit the needs of your child! Add pictures with the children in your classroom. Read it one-on-one with the child is learning the social skill.

Perspective statement	Why it is important statement	I will (specific social skill) statement.
I can/I need to (skill with value) statement.	What I can do if statement.	Closure or inference statement.

I Can Play in the Blocks!

My friends like to play in the block area



Children play in blocks to build towers, bridges, or roads.

I will stack blocks from my pile.



I can play with blocks on the floor or on a table.

I need to play safely so my friends can build too.



I will move carefully so I don't knock down their buildings.

If my tower gets knocked over, I might feel sad or mad.

I will take a deep breath to try to calm down.



There are a lot of blocks. I can use some and my friends can use some.



If I need space, I will say "I need more space please!"

When play time is over, I will help put the blocks away.



My teacher likes it when I help clean up blocks