

We're moving

Class

Learning objectives

- To combine range of movements
- To rearrange objects

What to do

Craft activity

- Make a cardboard house using a large junk box (an old furniture box is ideal). Draw windows and door. The practitioner should cut them out. Leave one end open and allow the children to enter the house box one at a time. Can they see through the windows? Can they wave out? Decorate the house with coloured flowers growing up the wall. Allow plenty of time for play in the house.

Extensions/variations

- Draw a picture plan of the journey to the new house. Add pictures of things the children will pass on the way, for example church, houses, trees, river, railway, school.
- Make clocks to denote time of departure. Use paper plates. The practitioner can write the numbers 1 to 12 around the edges. Decide on a moving time and paint the hands at the correct time. If it is a special time of day, such as lunch time, morning, or evening, the children could paint or draw an appropriate picture in the middle of the clock (plate). For example, morning could have a rising sun; night time could have a moon or stars.

- Sing the following to the tune of 'Three Blind Mice':

We're moving house, we're moving house

We're moving house, we're moving house

We're going to live in another place

We've packed the lorry and packed our case

We'll all get used to another base

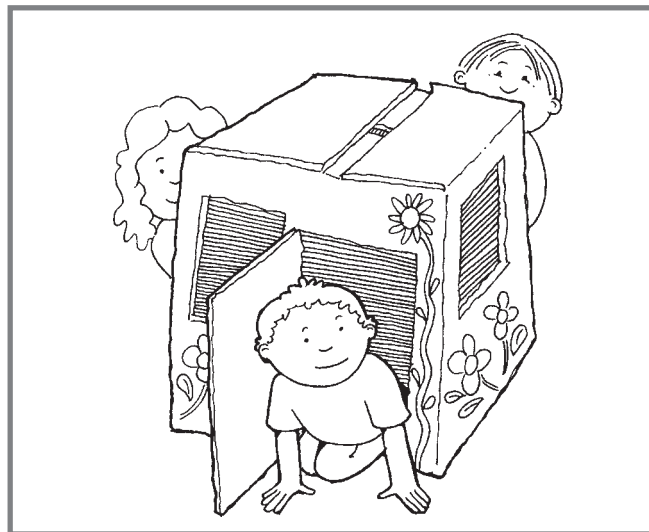
We're moving house.

Links to home

- Ask if any parents are moving.

Related activity

- Family coach (see page 69)



Moving with control and coordination

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Resources

- Large cardboard box
- Scissors
- Paint
- Paintbrushes
- Thin A4 card
- Paper plates
- Crayons

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Make sure the children are standing well away from the box before starting to cut.