

CAREGIVER CONNECTION CARD

Young Audiences of Louisiana 
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Pass It Along

Social Skills

“Mine!”, “Let me have it!”, “Give it to me!” These refrains may be all too familiar in your home. Give-and-take is hard for young children who have yet to gain a clear understanding of time or a sophisticated grasp of language. To them, sharing means being forced to give something up. The goal is to change that experience for them, and teach them that sharing can create happiness. You can teach sharing by passing the object back and forth while saying “my turn, your turn”, and showing joy when it is your turn so they can begin to discover the silver lining of sharing.

Tips to Connect

Empathy is growing at this age. Using praise and encouragement for good sharing will help strengthen their understanding of empathy and how good it can feel to share.



MAIN PROP

Bean Bags

ALTERNATIVE PROP
Stuffed Animal

Turn-taking is a fantastic way to encourage children to interact with others in a fair way. Take turns hugging your child’s favorite stuffed animal. Pass it back and forth, stating whose turn it is to hug.

Hot Potato

Chant

*Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Stop!
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Hot potato,
 Stop!*