

PLAYFUL LEARNING

in Early Childhood Education in Finland



Integrating **pedagogical activity** and care **through play** with language, art, mathematics and motor skills

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“ **PLAYFUL LEARNING** in Early Childhood Education in Finland is a book full of various activities. The book is planned by professionals who have proved the effectiveness of these activities based on specific theories and research. The book is useful in daycare centres and is needed in teacher education. It can also be an excellent guide for parents in home education. The book guides children to participate and experience joy together. The book itself plays a valuable part in developing children’s culture.”

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The book is intended for all persons working with children aged 0-7 years who do the vital work, for instance, in Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) centres, kindergartens, nurseries and schools in all parts of the world. This book is also an excellent tool for training ECEC teachers.

The book contains over 100 practical and playful activities for children under seven years of age. It will give you concrete examples and ideas for how to implement activities with children in order for them to learn through play. The chapters of the book are based on the Finnish pedagogical practices, scientific research, and development projects of ECEC and is also based on the Finnish Core Curriculum for ECEC.

The book will inspire you in your work with children and promote their lifelong learning. The children will receive beneficial learning experiences through the playful activities and you will experience happiness working and playing with the children.



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