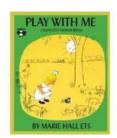


## **Outdoor Learning Opportunities:**

Nature Play – Working Together to Build Outdoors

Standards: ATL.IC.PS.5 SED.SD.BRC.PS.1 M.MD.PS.10



## **Materials:**

- Natural loose parts stumps, different size sticks and branches, logs, tree cookies
- Baskets, that could be used to help the children collect other smaller natural materials
- Enough space outdoors to move the loose parts around and a fence or tree to stack materials on

## **Vocabulary:**

- Friend
- Cooperate
- Loose parts
- Fort/Structure

How can friends help each other to build a fort or other structure? Have children discuss what it means to cooperate and work together to solve a problem.

Provide the natural loose parts outside for the children to use. They can decide what they want to build and work together to figure out how to build with the natural materials. They can also collect other smaller items from nature that they can use to add to the structure.

Extension: The children can use the structure for dramatic play as their house or other use they determine. This will provide another opportunity for the children to work together.

## **Guiding Questions:**

- What are you going to build? A fort? An animal home?
- How can you use the natural materials to build your structure?
- Who can help you to lift the logs? How can you work together?