

## The Domino Effect

## Do you know how we hear sounds? Let's find out!

### Let's LEGO!

- 1. Give each child 3 **LEGO bricks** and ask them to be stacked.
- 2. Each child places its model along a curved chalk line drawn on the *floor*.
- 3. One end of the curve is called 'EAR' and the other end as 'BRAIN'.
- 4. One child pushes the first model at the *EAR* end and makes it fall on the next one.
- 5. Observe what happens.





6. Say that this is how our ears and brain work together. Sound reaches the ears first, then a message signal will be transferred to the Brain by the nerves, which are like wires from all our organs to the brain. And the brain recognizes the sound.

#### Let's Read and Talk!

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. Ask guestions about the animals in the forest and what sounds they make.
- 3. Make a list of animals that have big ears / small ears, big head / small head.

Book Details		
Title: Drip-Drop-Drip	Language: English	
Author: Amar Goswami	Illustrator: Partho Sengupta	
Publisher: Pratham Books, Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: This is a story on how an Ant recognized the sound which caused fear in the forest		



#### Let's Play More!

- 1. *Remove some of the bricks* in the chain and repeat. What happens this time? What could the problem really be? (*Tip: Nerve Damage*)
- 2. Pile some bricks near the *EAR* end. Repeat. What happens? Why? (*Tip: Dirty ears !*)

<sup>\*\*</sup>Domino Effect: A series of similar or related events occurring as a direct and inevitable result of one initial event.





## **Time and Tide**

## Are you able to plan your daily routine?

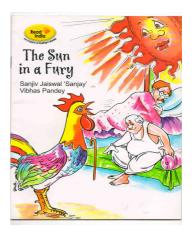
#### Let's LEGO!

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to make one thing that they use every day. (*Tip: Toothbrush, Glass, Bag, Shoes, Pencilbox, Bat, Toy...*).
- 3. Make a Clock using Lego in the middle of a room.
- 4. One Child from each group places their model around the clock, at the time when it is used.



- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. Ask questions about the events in the book, which event comes first and which comes thereafter.
- 3. Ask the children how they would insert their model into the story: before or after which event?

Book Details		
Title: The Sun in a Fury	Language: English/Kannada/Urdu	
Author: Sanjeeva Jayasavala Sanjaya	<u>Illustrator</u> : Vibhas Pandev	
Publisher: Pratham Books, Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: This is a story on how Sun gets very angry on observing why the world is still asleep even when he has risen		







# What kind of people live in my world?

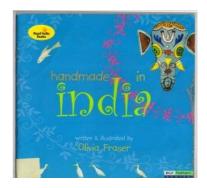
## What do people do for a living?

## Let's LEGO!

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to select and build a model of one tool (*Tip: Hammer, Spanner, Spade...*)

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. Discuss which person in the book uses each tool that they have made.
- 3. Discuss what material is each tool used with.

Book Details		
Title: Handmade in India	Language: English/Kannada/Urdu	
Author: Olivia Fraser	Illustrator: Olivia Fraser	
Publisher: Pratham Books, Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: This book describes about different occupations and cultures of India		











## **LEGO Rain**

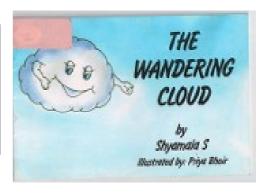
## **How do you save Water??**

#### Let's LEGO!

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to make a thing that could be used for holding water ( *Tip: Well, Tap, Bucket, Glass...*)
- 3. Ask the children: Where does this water come from?
- 4. Make a lake with a wall of Lego bricks. Make the lake bed sloping towards the wall using Lego Base-plates that are tilted towards the wall.
- 5. Use small Lego pieces as rain. Ask children to to throw these pieces as rain into the lake.
- 6. Observe how the Wall helps to block and store the water in the Lake.

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. Discuss what the Cloud sees as it travels over the land.
- 3. Do you think Cluffy the Cloud would have been happy to see your model? Why?

Book Details		
<u>Title</u> : The Wandering Clouds	Language: English/Kannada/Urdu	
Author: Shyamala S	<u>Illustrator</u> : Priya Bhoir	
Publisher: Pratham Books, Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: Cluffy the Cloud travels to different places before deciding to shower the earth with rain		







## Into the Food-Chain

## Do you know what each animal eats?

## **Let's LEGO!**

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to make a creature (*Tip: Visualize a forest: trees, plants, animals*)
- 3. Ask the children, what could each creature eat?
- 4. Describe the Food-Chain. (*Tip: Lion Rabbit Grass Sunlight / Minerals from the Soil*)
- 5. Ask each group what happens if any creature dies.
- 6. Demonstrate the Decay (*Tip: Break part of each model creature and leave the pieces lying there next to it*)

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. Discuss what happens if any of the creatures in the book was not there anymore?
- 3. Discuss what could happen if the forests are destroyed by humans.

Book Details		
<u>Title:</u> Danger in the Forest	Language: English/Kannada/Urdu	
Author: Sumathi Sudhakar	Illustrator: Arkha Prabha Roy	
Publisher: Pratham Books, Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: The two children Jeeva and Jatin save their forest friends after hearing about hunters.		





# In a Class apart

## **How to look for similarities and differences?**

#### Let's LEGO!

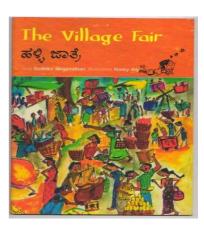
- 1. Give teach child some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each child to make models *using 4 LEGO bricks* (*Tip: Toys, Objects*), and to keep one or two pieces spare to be used later as money.
- 3. Ask them to sell and buy models for money. No bargaining !!!
- 4. Group the models in as many ways as possible (*Tip: based on number of bricks, colour,*
- 5. Sort the money pieces also in as many ways as possible. ( Tip: big-piece money, colour, shape, number of studs..)

#### Let's Read and Talk!

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. What different things you get in a fair? Make a list on the blackboard.
- 3. Which things are heavy? Which are of a particular colour? Which can be good to eat? Which things are interesting to you? Which are uninteresting or boring? Write each group separately on the board.
- 4. Discuss how the same group objects can be grouped differently based on how you choose to look at them.

Book Details	
Title: The Village Fair	Language: English/Kannada
Author: Radhika Meghanathan	Illustrator: Nancy Roy
Publisher: Tulika Books, Chennai	
Book Level: GROWBY.	
<b><u>Description</u></b> : The story is about how an injured girl experiences the joy of being in a fair, despite not being able to go there. She buys things from vendors going to the fair,	

as they pass her house on the way to the fair-ground.







# Shapes and Shapes all over

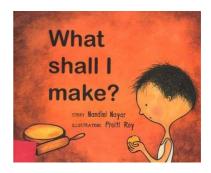
## Can you find the Shape?

### Let's LEGO!

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to make objects with different shapes (*Tip: Triangles, Squares, Pentagons*).
- 3. Ask each group to make a shape using already created ones (*Tip: Squares using Triangles*).

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. Which shapes does the boy make in the story?
- 3. Have you made fewer or more shapes than the boy?

Book Details		
Title: What Shall I make?	Language: English/Kannada	
Author: Nandini Noir	<u>Illustrator</u> : Proiti Roy	
Publisher: Tulika Books, Chennai		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: The story is about how a boy makes different shapes using atta (wheat flour).		







## Order! Order!

## Can you guess what comes first?

### **Let's LEGO!**

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to make a large tower.
- 3. Ask each group to compare the towers, and arrange them in a order of their heights, just as children stand in assembly for prayer in the morning(*Tip: Ascending order and Descending order*).

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. What things or creatures are bigger and smaller than the Rabbit in the story?
- 3. List out the things which are smaller than you and larger than you? ( *Tip: Look around the classroom, objects and people!*)
- 4. Discuss: What is according to you is more interesting, being bigger or smaller? List atleast one advantage and one disadvantage of being big and of being small.

Book Details		
Title: Putta Putani Mola	Language: English/Kannada	
Author: Robert Crouse	<u>Illustrator</u> : Robert Crouse	
Publisher: Bharatiya Jnana Vignana Samithi, Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: The story is about how a small rabbit grows bigger. The story is also about how the small Rabbit copes with bullying.		







# **Objects and their Stories**

## What do objects tell you?

#### Let's Read!

1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.

#### Let's LEGO and talk!

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to create one object from the story (*Tip: Slippers, Garland, Coconut...*).
- 3. Ask each group to talk about the objects created (*Tip: Uses*).
- 4. Do you think Rani's gifts were right? Why? What other gifts would you have carried home if you had been in her place?
- 5. Think about people who cannot hear, for example. How would you help them?

Book Details		
Title: A Gift from the Sea	Language: English/Kannada	
Author: Melanie Kunz	<u>Illustrator</u> : Srivi	
Publisher: Tulika Books, Chennai		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: The story is about how a thoughtful little girl takes home simple but special gifts from the beach to tell her blind grandmother about the sea.		

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## **A Different World**

## Have you ever imagined yourself with change in behaviour?

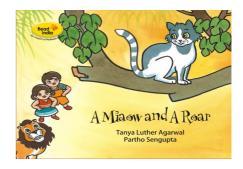
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1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.

### Let's LEGO and talk!

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to create an animal (Tip: Forest).
- 3. Ask each group to talk about how their model-animal would respond to the change they see in the story (*Tip: Opinions*).
- 4. Ask each group to present their thoughts, and retell the story from the point of view of their model-animal. (*Tip: Change*).

Book Details		
Title: A Miaow and a Ghurr	Language: English, Kannada, Urdu	
Author: Thanya Luther Agarwal	Illustrator: Partho Sengupta	
Publisher: Pratham Books, Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
Story: The story is about how the voices of Lion and the Cat get exchanged. And how two small children convince them to exchange again!		







# **Measuring Distance**

## It's a long long way to Tipperary<sup>1</sup>...

#### Let's LEGO!

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to make a two sticks: one larger and one much smaller.
- 3. Ask each group to push the smaller stick with the larger one. (*Tip: Like the traditional Indian Gilli-Danda*<sup>2</sup> *game*). And play with care!
- 4. Ask <u>each group</u> to measure the distance of how far the smaller stick has travelled using their sticks (*Tip: Difference based on lengths*).

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. Why was the cot created initially smaller in size?
- 3. In the game you played, why were the measurements made by each group different?
- 4. What are the standard units for measuring distance? Small distances? Large distances?
- 5. How far is your classroom from the Main Gate of the School? How will you measure that distance?

Book Details		
Title: Adi endare esthudhdha? Language: English/Kannada		
Author: Rolf Miller	Illustrator: Rolf Miller	
Publisher: Bharathiya Gnana Vignana Samithi, Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
<b>Story:</b> The story is about the confusion in measurement for the Queen's Cot.		



<sup>2</sup> http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gilli-danda



<sup>1</sup> A Kannada version of this song was composed by the writer T P Kailasam: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?">http://www.youtube.com/watch?</a> <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?">v=liFHg7VpVd0</a>



# **Super-Humans**

## What is your favourite character?

#### Let's LEGO!

- 1. Make groups of 5 children. Give them some LEGO material.
- 2. Ask each group to make a super-human with one special ability (*Tip: Eye-Sight, Flying*).
- 3. Ask each group to tell the special ability of their super-humans, name the creature and justify the Name they have chosen (*Tip: Eagle-Man, Fox-Man.*.).

- 1. Make the children to *read the complete book*.
- 2. What different super-abilities you find in the book? Can you give an example of a creature with the super-ability your super-man model has.
- 3. Which ability is superior according to you?

Book Details		
<u>Title</u> : We are all Animals	Language: English, Kannada, Urdu	
Author: Madhav Chavan, Meera Tendulkar	Illustrator: Santosh Pujari	
Publisher: Pratham Books Bangalore		
Book Level: GROWBY.		
<b>Story:</b> The story is about how different animals have different abilities.		



