

# ENCLOSING

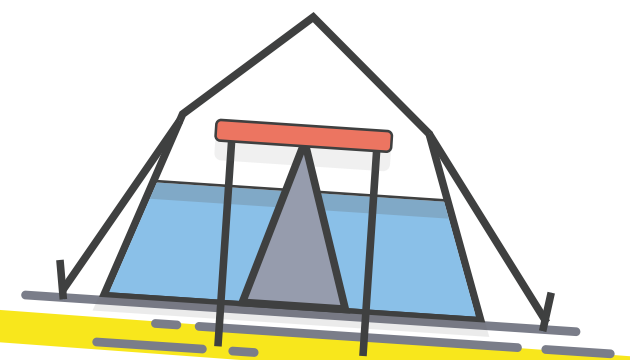
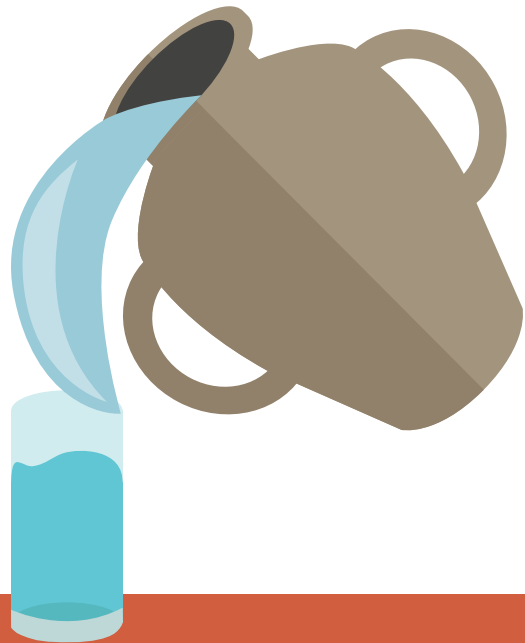
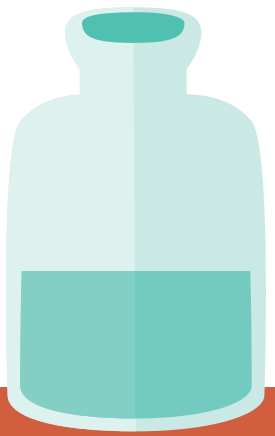
The enclosing schema helps children develop their understanding of shape, size, volume and measurement. Children in the enclosing schema love to build walls, gates and other types of barriers around things. Often this happens with their toys as a way to protect them in their imaginative play. Enclosing is also explored in everyday objects.



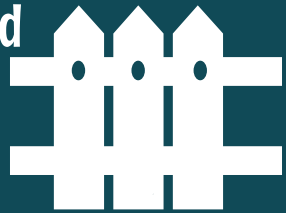
Children love to play hide and seek. Offer boxes, playing outside in mazes and nature will help. Building forts with blankets and boxes help children enclose things.



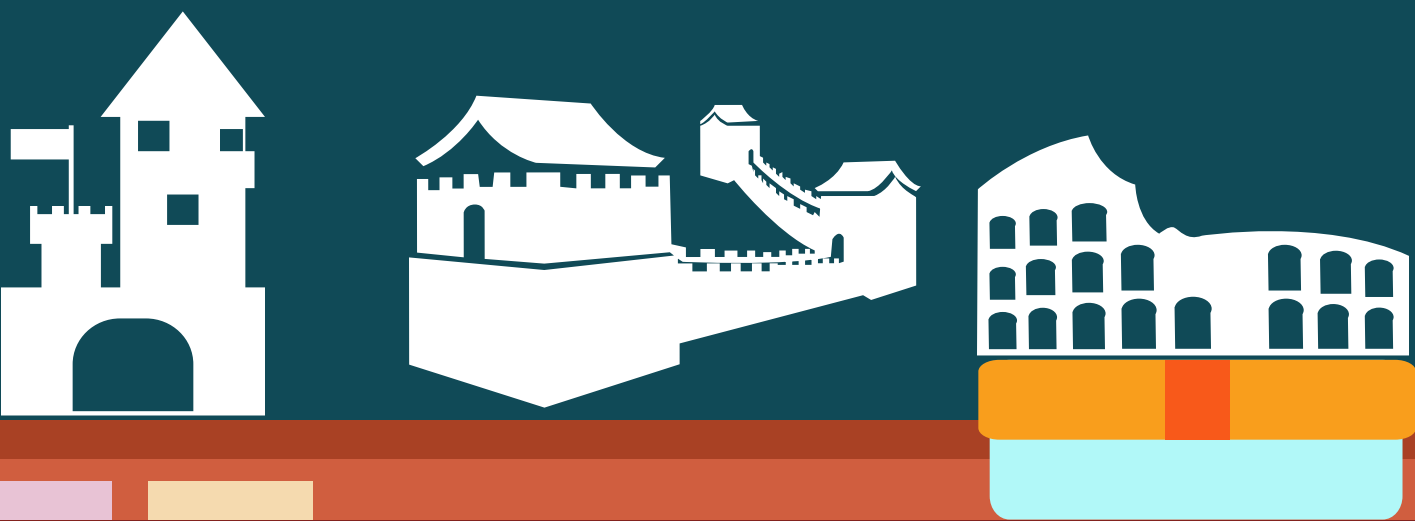
“A great science experiment is to pour water into different sized containers asking children if there is more or less water than before.”



Offer children materials to build walls and gates for their toys. You can also see/visit real walls and gates being built.



Visit famous places and buildings that are designed to enclose things. Think of castles and other famous places around the world.



Children exploring the enclosing schema like to hide. They hide under beds and in other places. They may like closing doors and accidentally locking themselves in a room. Also children might put fingers or toes in places they can get stuck.

