



“WHAT CAN YOU DO?”

Procedure

1. Gather things that have an obvious way they could be used. These could include tools, a musical instrument, a picture book, paper and pencil, a broom, a pot of dirt and a flower bulb, cup and pitcher of water, a bowl of fruit, etc.
2. Put them in or near a basket or a box. Pull them out one by one and let children try to identify how each thing could be used to help other people. Let them imagine what they wish they could do for someone they know with one of the items in the basket.
3. If you do this with a group of children, you could have them sit in a circle and take turns sitting in the middle. Give the child in the middle one of the items (or pair of items). Ask the child, “How could you use this to be helpful or kind to someone else?” Make sure each child has the opportunity to take a turn.

Some Suggestions of things to put in the basket

hammer and nails
harmonica or recorder
diaper and baby toy
watercolors and paintbrush
stethoscope or thermometer
eating utensils and napkin (for helping to set the table for a meal)
picture book
knitting needles and yarn
cup and pitcher of water
flower seeds or vegetable seeds
dish towel (for drying dishes)
the Word
cleaning sponge (one that is brand new)
rolling pin or wooden spoon
camera
pot of dirt and a flower bulb