

Day 4: The Playroom



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I realize that not all the students in this course have small kids, so if you do not you can skip today. Possibly the most difficult room to keep neat & tidy, the playroom is a place with the most tiny objects to keep organized. This is unfortunate, because clutter has the power to make us stuck and stagnant, the last thing we want when we are trying to be our best selves, or relax for a beautiful summer day. For this reason, we will focus on decluttering the playroom. We will also focus on beautiful storage solutions to keep small objects stowed away.

TASK 1:

Grab a large basket and collect all the clutter on the floor and table surfaces.

TASK 2: Make a throw away pile, a storage pile, and a donate pile. Check with your local area donation services to find out what specific criteria for toy donations. In my area, no stuffed animals can be donated, so those need to be stored or thrown away. Every donation organization is different so do you research in advance.

TASK 3: Organize toys in baskets, a storage shelf, chest or closet. Discard any games that are missing pieces.

NOW THAT WE HAVE A CLEAN SLATE, LET'S DECORATE!

TASK 1:

I like to avoid overly juvenile art in a kids space, as they will outgrow it. Instead, opt for photography and nature imagery that will inspire them. I love prints by Gray Malin and think they are as appropriate in a kids room as they are in a more adult space like a living room.

TASK 2:

Make sure there is a comfortable space for down time in addition to the more lively play zones. A good reading chair is a necessity in a Child's play space.

TASK 3:

Use a durable rug in this space, but one that is also soft to the touch so little ones don't get scratched.

TASK 4:

Ensure there is a good table space for games. Square game tables, desks and even taller coffee tables make great game surfaces. We brought an unused desk into our play room to be the ideal surface for battle ship and chess.

Possible Items to Add to Your Decor

Game Tables & Desks

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<https://rstyle.me/+kphZUPpza80czsdbE-EXw>

<https://rstyle.me/+UUC1zHeunMY2cy8EteandA>

Art

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<https://rstyle.me/+nr8gXJIVHILDoGRhSSHIPa>

<https://rstyle.me/+CtTkx7YvUOuOO2QdaaqJ1g>

Baskets

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<https://rstyle.me/+6PayRcNvDTFkvBIWdKXO5Q>

Storage Tables

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