

Tūtū and Me At-Home Learning

A real story + simple tips for caregivers

Taking Turns and Sharing



Aunty Sue Helps Lehua Take Turns and Share (age 3 ½)

Before:

Lehua had a tough time playing with her cousin at the park. If her cousin touched her bucket, she would shout, “Mine!” and grab it back. They often ended up in tears.

Now:

Lehua knows when it’s her turn and when it’s someone else’s. Her Aunty Sue uses a sand timer and says, “Your turn, then Aria’s turn.” They take turns digging, building, and laughing together.


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What Helped Aunty Sue and Lehua

	Aunty Sue modeled sharing toys, saying, “Can I have a turn?” She also used phrases such as, “Lehua’s turn, then Aria’s turn.”
	A small sand timer helped avoid conflict and made turn taking feel fair. When Lehua shared on her own, Aunty Sue always made sure to celebrate!
	Aunty Sue used playtime to practice with Lehua. She brought out games and puzzles that required taking turns.
	When there was grabbing, Aunty Sue stayed calm and said, “We ask to take a turn. Let’s try again.”

Try one small change this week!



- Do I use clear and simple language around sharing?
- Am I modeling how to share at home?
- Do I give keiki chances to practice in low-stress ways?
- How do I respond when things don’t go smoothly?
- Am I noticing and celebrating the small wins?



RESOURCES AND MATERIALS



Building Blocks

Building blocks encourages cooperative play and fosters fine-motor skill and hand-eye coordination.



Pretend Play

Pretend play offers a safe and engaging environment for practicing these skills in a fun and imaginative way.



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Learn more about how to encourage sharing with the keiki you love and care for.

These resources support all keiki. If a developmental screening or assessment suggests a delay in keiki, caregivers should consult their primary care physician. Staff do not diagnose keiki, and any disclosed diagnosis from a caregiver will be kept confidential.