



## Tallest Tower Activity – Teamwork

1. Put the children in groups of 4-5 and assign a leader, explain that their role is to support in decision making and ensure that the task is completed. To help their peers, they need to identify the strengths of their group and motivate their team to achieve the shared goal of building the tallest tower.
2. Give children a range of equipment that is available: books, pencils, straws or boxes can be used in the classroom or natural materials can be used in the playground such as rocks, sticks and leaves.
3. Explain to children that they will have the same task to complete: which team can build the tallest tower?
4. Remind the children that they are building on their essential skills of teamwork and leadership if they have been chosen, they need to be aware of how to work well together – the Skills Builder website can support in small steps to strengthen in this area beforehand or after if children have struggled to work in leadership or teamwork.
5. Set children a time of between 5-10 minutes and observe their communication skills, praising those who are exhibiting the essential skills.
6. Ask children to evaluate themselves as a team, what went well and what do they need to work on for next time.
7. How did the winning team work well together?