

## steps to independent play



Check their mood

Pick a time when your child is in a good mood, such as after they ate and are rested.



Limit distractions

Turn off all screens to limit distractions which can break their focus. Experiment with background music.



Keep things neat

Keep the play area tidy with a limited number of openended toys to keep them from getting overwhelmed.



Be available

When your child is engaged, be present but busy with a task and avoid breaking their concentration with comments.