



Taking Turns: Sharing Toys

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Sometimes when I am playing, another kid might have a toy that I like and really want.



Grabbing or taking away the toy is not okay. But that's okay, I can learn what to do instead.



I can take turns, I can share,
I can wait, and I know that's fair.



I keep my hands to myself,
or choose another toy from off the
shelf.



I can use my words to say,
“My turn, please,” or “Can I play?”

If they’re still playing, I can wait,
Waiting helps me play the right way.



Waiting can be hard, it's true,
But there are things that I can do.

I can take a breath, nice and slow,
And let my calm body grow.

While I wait, I can choose something new,
A toy, a book, or maybe bubbles, too!



I can watch, and I can see,
When the toy is free for me.

When they're done, it's finally my turn,
Now I play! Look what I earned!



My friends feel good when I don't grab,
Taking turns makes everyone glad.

I can wait my turn, use my words, take deep breaths, pick another toy to play with, or maybe just rest. I am learning to share and show my friends I can care.



Grown-ups smile when I use my words, Nice and calm, just like I've learned.