

PUT ON YOUR DESIGNER HAT!

Playground designers have an interesting and challenging job. They get to create a space that is filled with fun and happiness. A great playground has spaces for different kinds of play and includes little surprises and secret hiding spots.



CREATE a plan for a pet playground. Imagine the kinds of things the pet (e.g., a cat,) likes to do and incorporate those ideas into your design. Make sure it is easy to make and that it will entertain the pet as well as the pet's owners.



PRESENT your plan to 2 other people. Explain how you came up with your ideas and why they would be entertaining for the pet. Take turns sharing your plans.



RESPOND to your classmates' plans. Compare ideas and offer suggestions. Choose one plan to make. Combine ideas to make a new plan. Gather materials and work together to create a cardboard model. Write a statement explaining why you think the pet would like it.



CONNECT your experiences and memories of playing at a playground with what it was like designing a playground. How did the things you like best about a playground influence what you thought a pet might like?