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Diner

Tips for caregivers to help kids learn through play!



Talk

- Tell stories about sharing meals with family and friends at home, school, restaurants, etc.
- Use your senses to describe the foods: how would they smell, taste, look, feel, or sound as you eat them?

Play Together

Imagine that you are in a restaurant or diner. One person is the customer and the other is the server.

- Practice sequencing skills of "first, next, last" by modeling action steps in a restaurant/diner as the customer and server.
 - I.e. First you order food, then the cook makes the food, then the server brings the food, and then you eat and finally you have to pay!
- Use your best table and serving manners.
 - Use "please" , "thank you" and "you're welcome!"

Explore

- Have a look at the juke box as you take a seat in a booth. Together, read through the song choices and make a choice!
- Compare and contrast the jobs of the customer, server, and cook. What does each person do? Where else in the museum are there similar "roles"?

Ideas to Learn Together Throughout the Children's Museum

- Let your child lead the way
- Ask open-ended questions that require more than a "yes or no" answer
- Let your child do the work
- Encourage safe risk-taking

THE DINER

The retro diner engages children in imaginative play as they take on the roles of server, cook, or customer while practicing sequencing and serving skills.

