

Making a plan: a learning story for Reggie

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Reggie, we have noticed how your block play is developing this term. You tend to have a clear idea of what it is you want to build, including: a boat, a pancake shop and a castle. You enjoy looking at books with photographs of different buildings which seem to really inspire you.

To extend your learning I suggested that you tried making a plan for your models. You decided that your castle needed a door and you drew the door on some paper with a great big arch at the top. *"It's big,"* you said, drawing all around the edge of the paper.

"That's a big door."

"Then we got to draw up and down, so they can boost the bad guys, cos they can point a gun at them, then it will shot out and bomb them."

I could see your imagination really taking off. I liked the way you explained your plans Reggie, using your hands, showing your enthusiasm and excitement.

"We've got to make it open and shut."

"If you pull the rope Wendy then you can pull the door up." I explained that was called a drawbridge. We talked about how we could make the drawbridge and later cut one out of a big piece of card which you used for your castle.

I wonder what other things you are going to design Reggie.

