

## Games, Toys and Hobbies

Many children have hobbies, and most enjoy playing games with their families. One way families can do more math together is to play games that involve strategic thinking and reasoning, and point out the mathematics in them. Families can also spend time together exploring mathematical materials like blocks and puzzles, and collections of things like buttons or baseball cards.

<b>Mathematical Toys and Hobbies</b>	<b>Games</b>
Building blocks Collections of things (stamps, coins, baseball cards, buttons, etc.) Legos and construction toys Models Oragami and paper folding 2-D and 3-D Puzzles Sewing Popular commercially-available materials like interlocking cubes, Geoblocks and pattern blocks	24 Backgammon Board and card games Checkers and chess Computer games such as <i>The Logical Journey of the Zoombinis</i> series and the <i>Strategy Challenges of the World</i> series. (For descriptions and reviews of educational software, see <a href="#">Through the Glass Wall</a> .) Krypto Mancala Mastermind <a href="#">Math Packs</a> Monopoly Set Tangrams

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[Math Packs](#) should link to the website page re Math Packs:

<http://investigations.terc.edu/families/mathactivities.cfm>

[Through the Glass Wall](#) should link to [www.terc.edu/glasswall](http://www.terc.edu/glasswall)