



Chatting about the washing

What you can do

- Load the washing, hang it out and collect it
- Sort the washing, looking at who it belongs to, what the patterns and colours are
- Make a mini clothes line with pegs for dolls clothes or paper cut out clothes
- Make a pretend washing machine from a box and wash cloths, dolls clothes and socks
- Hang paintings on the washing line to dry

What you can talk about

- **What the clothes are like:** Talk about sizes, patterns, colours
- **Parts of the clothes:** sleeves, cuffs, collars, arms, legs, buttons, zips, poppers, hoods, pockets
- **Who the clothes belong to**

- **When you might wear the clothes:** hot days, cold days, winter, summer, to parties, weddings
- **Where you wear the clothes:** on the beach, in the garden, in bed, to a party, at the swimming pool

Language for thinking: compare the sizes of clothes; chat about your favourite clothes using words such as 'like, love, prefer, choose'

Make believe: pretend to do the washing for the dolls/teddies – talk about the sequence: first, then, next