

Playworker



Meet Jodie:

Jodie works as a playworker at an inclusive play centre. She has shared with us what her job is like.



Responsibilities



At her job Jodie checks site safety, sets up sensory play areas, helps the children to play with others, supervises children on the water slide, talks to parents about play centre activities and tidies away the activities after children have finished.

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Working hours



Jodie works for 19 hours a week. This is spread between 4 days so that she works between 4 and 5 hours each shift.

Earning a wage



Jodie gets paid a wage to work. She uses the money she earns going out places and doing things with friends

The Best Parts



Jodie's favourite task to do at work is talking to families at the play centre to learn how to best support their children. Jodie's favourite thing about having a job is being able to help children and families.

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What to Expect



The play centre is a big and busy environment which means Jodie has to be able to work independently and make lots of decisions about how to support the children.

Job Skills



To do her job Jodie needs to:

- Turn up to work on time
- Act and dress appropriately around children
- Pay attention to lots of children at once to make sure everyone is being safe
- Be creative and imaginative when setting up new play areas
- Be able to work in a noisy, busy environment
- Act as a good role model for children
- Be active and moving around a lot to supervise the children at play time