

Project PLAY

success path



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Using the success path

Project PLAY is a membership where Mums of toddlers and pre-schoolers come to build a lifelong legacy of play with their little learners and in turn learn and grow within themselves.

It is a project for YOU, once realising you no longer need to feel 'stuck' or alone in PLAY and that your desire to build a legacy of play and achieve a nurtured PLAY environment in the home can be reached with ease, confidence, intention, and celebration.

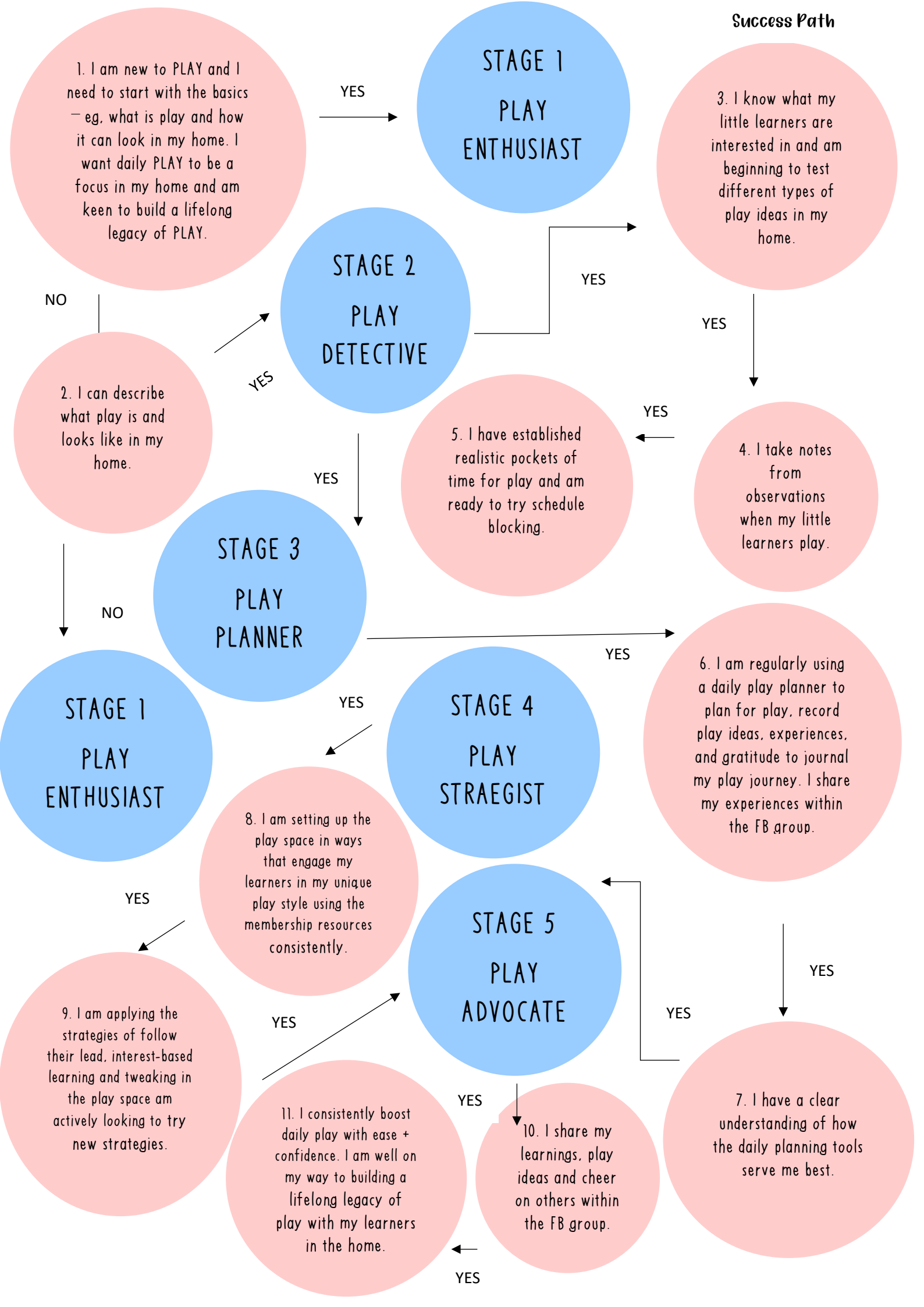
The Success Path is designed to give you clarity of where you are and where you want to be. There are 5 stages, each focusing on different key learnings, along with milestones and action to take that indicate the completion of each stage.

You can use the pathway to determine which stage of the Success Path you are currently at, and therefore, provide you with a starting point of where to next.

The Success Path is a self-paced journey so there is no feeling of overwhelm, falling behind or needing to keep up. You are creating a life by design - one that aligns with PLAY and your little learners.

Taking small steps of action each day and knowing that from little things big things grow.

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The success path Overview

Stage 1 – PLAY ENTHUSIAST

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Stage 2 – PLAY DETECTIVE

You're finding your confidence in PLAY but are still in the trial-and-error phase with play ideas, play spaces and the time you have for play. You are playing detective and learning a lot about your learners in play and are testing with different types of play ideas, and areas in the home that are best suited for play, knowing this will evolve over time.

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Stage 3 – PLAY PLANNER

You are seeing increased engagement with your learners in PLAY and are creating positive play rhythms and routines when boosting daily play that align with building a legacy of play. You are ready to uplevel and begin using daily planning tools with greater intention.

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Stage 4 – PLAY STRATEGIST

You've created a warm, inviting play space where your learners want to play. You are creating daily play opportunities and learning experiences with greater confidence and intention. You are ready to expand your play groove and bring strategy into each day of play.

Stage 5 – PLAY ADVOCATE

Boosting daily PLAY is easy, fun and now comes with joy + confidence. You are using intention, strategy and daily planning tools consistently to guide your play legacy. You share your knowledge and experience with other members and advocate for play when the opportunities present themselves. You are enjoying the daily rhythms of play created and are now in a stage where you are nurturing the flow of play. You can set up for play and create play experiences within the pockets of time you have. You're play dreams of building a lifelong legacy of PLAY in the home with your learners has come true and the sky is the limit!!

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MILESTONES

- You have a set vision for your life and PLAY is a large part of that – PLAY aligns with the things that matter most to you.
- You can clearly identify and articulate your DEEP why for wanting PLAY in your home.
- You can describe your play style with confidence and in detail unlike before.
- You have learnt more about PLAY theory and how it now influences your play space in the home.
- You have a deeper understanding of how you will begin to build a legacy of PLAY with your little ones by your side with a mental note of some goals to start with eg, where to set up a play space in your home that meets your family needs, what play ideas to start with etc

ACTION

1. Watch the welcome video in the PLAY Portal
2. Read the Getting Started note in the PLAY Portal
3. Download the mini lesson – PLAY Theory and use the workbook provided to take notes
4. Jump into the FB group and share what you have learnt and what action you have taken so far.

CONGRATULATIONS on completing Stage 1. Commence STAGE 2 – PLAY DETECTIVE

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- You are moving through the experimental phase building a bank of play ideas – seeing which ideas work best and which ideas don't work yet.
- You have introduced a play space in your home best suited to play knowing that it will be an ever evolving space over time as your littles grow.
- You are consistently taking notes, looking, watching, and observing your little learners in play, carefully thinking about what is making their eyes sparkle, what are they playing with, what do they gravitate to the most etc.
- You have established realistic pockets of time for play (that fit YOUR life) and are beginning to think about schedule blocking to serve you as a daily tool in maintaining daily PLAY. You may even be dabbling in the thought of using a daily PLAY Planner.

ACTION

1. Download the mini lesson – Planning for PLAY (in the PLAY Portal) and use the workbook to take notes.
2. Read the Project PLAY Glossary in the PLAY Portal
3. Trial the schedule block planner to see if it works for you.
4. Purchase the daily PLAY Planner (discount code -) or download the provided daily layout in the daily PLAY Plans and dabble in using it.
5. Jump into the FB group, share your wins and your key takeaways.

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MILESTONES

- You are creating intentional play opportunities for your learners each day.
- You are using observation + notes as a tool to guide play-based learning experiences
- You are using the daily PLAY Planner (either in the annual edition of the daily play planner or one of your own) to record play ideas, experiences, gratitude to journal your play journey and the daily layout to plan your days with play as a daily focus (in the pockets of time you do have in your current season of motherhood/life).
- You have a clear understanding of how daily play planning fits into your life and how it serves your best.

ACTION

1. Download the daily PLAY Plans (in the PLAY Portal). Follow some/all the daily PLAY prompts combined with your own play ideas from Stage 2 to support you in creating positive and meaningful play ideas.
2. Complete the observation, goals and journal pages of the daily PLAY Plans working journal to serve as a keepsake of your play journey and use the reflections to guide future learning and play opportunities.
3. Share your experiences, reflection and play so far in the FB group.

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MILESTONES

- You are consistently using the daily PLAY Plans for boosting daily play in your home with ease. Some days the prompts aren't needed and other days you use your own ideas instead.
- You are setting up the play space regularly in ways that invite your learners to play using your newfound unique play style and knowledge of prepared learning environments.
- You are using the strategies 'follow their lead' and 'interest-based learning', whilst discovering more strategies along the way that guide the daily play opportunities in the play space.
- You are recognising and capturing the precious moments spent in daily play and celebrating these moments eg. photos, daily play planner etc

ACTION

1. Download the PLAY strategies mini lesson and complete the note section in the workbook.
2. Watch the monthly masterclasses and embed the learnings into your daily PLAY plans.
3. Join the 7 Days of 'Invitation to PLAY Challenge' and see what previous challenges have looked like. This is a self-paced challenge that you can undertake at any time when you are looking for accountability and/or motivation. There are a few hosted challenges throughout the year so watch this space to join in. Be sure to share your daily invitations within the group so we can cheer you on from the sidelines.

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MILESTONES

- You are consistently boosting daily play, adding to your bank of PLAY ideas with intention. You are following strategies that work for your home and learners.
- You can accurately and confidently identify your play style and offer reasons for why specific play experiences and environments are set up in your space – instinctively knowing it was created with intention and strategy.
- You know deep down that you are well onto your way in building a legacy of PLAY in your home with and for your learners.
- You are now scaling back on PLAY Ideas and resources knowing they will be of high engagement and will work in your play space.
- You advocate for play in your social circles and whole heartedly believe that play matters!

ACTION

1. Jump into the FB group to share the progress you have made in your play journey with the aim to inspire the members within the group and cheer them on as they move through their own play journey.
2. Use the daily PLAY Plans and daily PLAY Planner to support your daily rhythm and routines in boosting daily play.
3. Revisit Stage 1 and complete both the new and old lesson - this time from a different perspective and mindset.

CONGRATULATIONS on completing Stage 5. Woohoo!! Revisit Stage 1.