

# STATION GUIDE

## What's Next?



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### Station Guide Overview

This guide provides information on how to setup and facilitate a small group of 2-7 children or a center station to play the Zeno Game, Find Zeno Bear. At least one adult should be present when playing.

Some of these instructions assume that children can work cooperatively with one another. If that is not developmentally appropriate for the children you are working with, it may be best to have more adults to serve as the children's partners.

Small group play should last 5-10 minutes and should focus on no more than 2 game levels at a time.

### Goal

In this game your children will learn how to use and respond to position words (on, in, behind, between, etc.).



### Before You Begin Station Guide

Remember that it is important to give children time to freely play with the game materials and explore the game concept of spatial relationships and positional words.

Please ensure that children have had adequate time to explore the game and its concept prior to small groups.





## Level 1 Station Guide



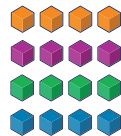
Instructions



Yellow Mats (3) x3



Red/Yellow Coins (8) x3



Color Cubes (16) x3

First, demonstrate how to play for the children: choose a yellow pattern strip. Ask them to help you copy the pattern.



Now, it's their turn! Allow each child to choose one yellow pattern strip. Help the children copy the pattern on their pattern strip using the color cubes and coins.



Ask the children to tell you about the pattern they made. Have the children try again with a new yellow pattern strip.



## Level 2 Station Guide



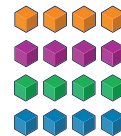
Instructions



Blue Mats (3) x3



Red/Yellow Coins (8) x3



Color Cubes (16) x3

First, demonstrate how to play for the children: choose a blue pattern strip. Ask them to help you continue the pattern.



Now, it's their turn! Allow each child to choose one blue pattern strip. Help the children continue the pattern on their pattern strip using the color cubes and coins. Ask the children to tell you about the pattern they made.



Have the children try again with a new blue pattern strip. If the children are ready for more of a challenge, let them play in pairs with another child.



## Level 3 Station Guide



Instructions



Purple Action Cards (24) x3



Color Dice (2) x3

First, demonstrate how to play for the children: Roll 2 dice. Choose action cards that match the colors to make a pattern that repeats at least 2 times. Together, act out what's shown on the cards.



Now, it's their turn! Place the children in pairs. If any of the children need more support, have their partner be an adult. Give each pair 2 dice and a set of action cards.

Have each child roll a die. Allow them to choose action cards that match the colors to make a pattern that repeats at least 2 times. Have the pair act out what is shown on the cards.



Afterwards, let the pair keep playing by rolling the dice again.