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50 IMAGINATION GAMES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

1. Pretend you are a mouse trying to get some cheese that is near a cat
2. Pretend to have a pet giraffe that you walk on a leash and spend an afternoon of fun with



3. Create a robot costume out of boxes and have a robot dance party
4. Pretend to be kittens venturing outside for the very first time
5. Take a pretend airplane trip to a faraway land and pretend to be flight attendants serving drinks
6. Pretend your bottle of ketchup is your best friend for the day



7. Pretend to be a school bus driver and stop at all the bus stops
8. Pretend to be an architect who designs the best playhouses in the world
9. Pretend to be a construction worker who builds one of those playhouses with a big box
10. Pretend to go grocery shopping with your pet pony



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11. Pretend you are a fairy having a tea party with your fairy kitten



12. Pretend to be a preschool teacher during circle time
13. Pretend you are an elf in Santa's workshop making toys
14. Drive your swing set pirate ship to the secret island to find the buried treasure
15. Pretend to be a doctor and help all your stuffed animals feel better
16. Pretend you are an arctic mermaid with a pet narwhal on your way to an ice cream party



17. Pretend to be a mailman delivering invitations to a party
18. Help your pet baby dragon feel better who has a cold that made his fire breath disappear
19. Play grocery store by scanning and bagging items
20. Pretend you are a frog jumping across lily pads on a pond



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21. Pretend to have a party for your stuffed animal's birthday with all his/her toy friends

22. Pretend you have a pet elasmosaurus to with in your baby pool



23. Pretend you are a baby bird learning how to fly

24. Tell toy stories of what your toys might do when you are sleeping

25. Have a fancy tea party in dress up clothes with stuffed animals

26. Pretend you are a zookeeper feeding the animals, which can actually be your friends

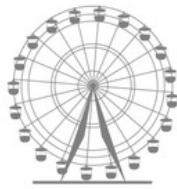
27. Pretend you are a princess who lives in a castle with a pet zebra that loves carrots



28. Pretend to be a crazy inventor and create a new way to drink a glass of water

29. Create an office work space with cereal box computers and pretend to invent new cereal flavors

30. Pretend to be a fancy dessert restaurant and take food orders from your guests



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31. Create a rock band using kitchen items and dress up clothes

32. Pretend you just arrived at Pixie Hollow to find your talent which is making golden butterflies



33. Pretend to be a librarian who checks out books from your house.

34. Travel on a safari in your cardboard box car and see all the lions

35. Put a coin in a statue to make it come alive at your pretend museum. Guess what your friend is

36. Row a laundry basket boat to save the ponies from going over the pretend waterfall

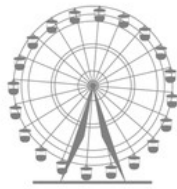
37. Pretend your toy T-Rex is real and give her a makeover



38. Pretend to be a super hero and rescue your stuffed animals

39. Pretend to be a babysitter to your stuffed animals who are misbehaving

40. Draw a chalk town with parking spaces on your driveway and visit that town on your scooter



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41. There was a marshmallow explosion. Try and cross the room without touching the sticky floor

42. You see the world's largest ice cream sundae. How are you going to eat it?



43. Set up a pretend pet shop and go shopping for the perfect pet

44. Pretend you are on a magical flying carpet traveling to candy land

45. Play toll booth on your driveway using pretend tickets and play money

46. Pretend to be an ice cream shop and serve friends through your pretend window

47. Pretend you have a pet unicorn and live on top of the rainbow



48. Pretend you are an astronaut landing on the moon

49. Pretend you shrunk to the size of a raisin and your best friend is a ladybug

50. Pretend you are a super hero with super speed...who will you save and why?