

## April Showers

Try to avoid getting wet while modelling core words and phrases in this month's activity!

### **Equipment**

Wooden or cardboard blocks to make a tower  
Water balloons

### **Vocabulary**

Core – again, bad, big, close, come, different, do, don't, down, fast, feel, get, go, good, happy, help, I, it, like, little, look, me, mine, my, off, on, put, ready, sad, slow, stop, take, that, turn, want, what, you

Fringe – wet, block, fall, splash

### **What to do**

1. First build a tall tower from blocks – the taller the better!
2. Fill up some water balloons
3. Place a water balloon on top of the tower
4. Take it in turns to remove one block from the tower at a time
5. Try not to be the one that knocks the tower over and gets wet!

NB – This activity can be adapted depending on the ability of the individual you are supporting. Make sure to accept **any** way someone chooses to communicate.

You might want to have fun with some of the features on your AAC device such as programming phrases, pictures or videos, the whiteboard feature or using visual scenes.

**If you need any support to program any of the above ideas onto your AAC device, please contact your local consultant!**

### **Sentence Ideas**

1WL – close, feel, out, put, take, that, fast, do

2WL – take that, get it, feel good, do fast

3WL – take that out, help me do, come down fast

### **Language Functions**

Requesting – want it fall,

Directing – let's do it, take that off, do it slow

Commenting – let's get wet, close one

Refusing – no more, stop that, don't do it

Interjecting – oops! uh oh! Splash!

### **Generalisation**

You could also use these example core words and phrases to model language while playing with other board games.