



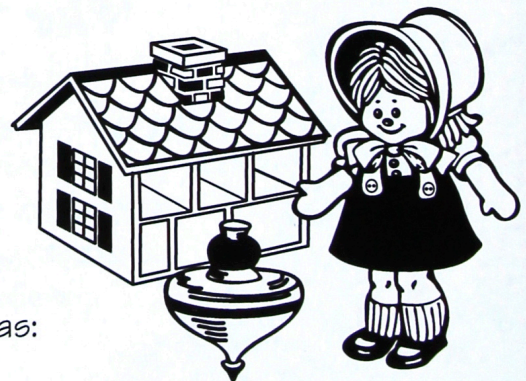
Toys, Toys, and More Toys

Teddy bears, airplanes, dolls, trains, trucks, crazy stuffed animals, a baseball mitt, cars, and ... provide so many possibilities. Toys such as these can be arranged into a large, jumbled, and exciting still life collection. All of them can be piled high on boxes covered with brightly coloured cloth.

Have everyone in the class bring at least one of their favourite toys. On a large table place some cardboard boxes and drape them with interesting fabric. Then, carefully arrange the toys to provide dozens of interesting vantage points and have the students organize themselves around the still life.

With the still life created, unpack the art supplies.

As a variation, just prior to Christmas arrange the toys on wrapped Christmas presents (empty boxes) with fir branches, a few decorations, and some tinsel scattered around.



Or, consider some other themes, such as:

- sports equipment,
- the beach,
- kitchen appliances,
- an ice-cream fountain with all the dishes
and the ice-cream, of course.