Asking 'can I play'?

At playtime children like to play with other children. They like playing lots of different games, and this is okay.

Some children find it difficult to ask if they can play and join in a game. They might stand at the side and find it tricky to go up to another child and ask to play. This is okay.

When I want to play with other children, I can try to go over to them, get their attention and ask 'can I play'. I will try to use a loud voice, so they can hear me. This will let the other children know that I want to join in.

The children can say yes or no and this is okay. If they say no, I can try and find someone else to play with. If I don't want to do this, I can talk to a teacher after playtime about what I can do next time.

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