



Playboard 1: The Knotty Web

Designing a product or service aligned with children’s rights can be a complex process. The issues that arise are often knotty and require careful consideration. How do the challenges you face map onto the Playful by Design principles?

Aim: Identify which Playful by Design principles relate to your current challenges to inspire design concepts.

You will need: Playful by Design principle cards, sticky notes and pen (digital or physical).

Instructions

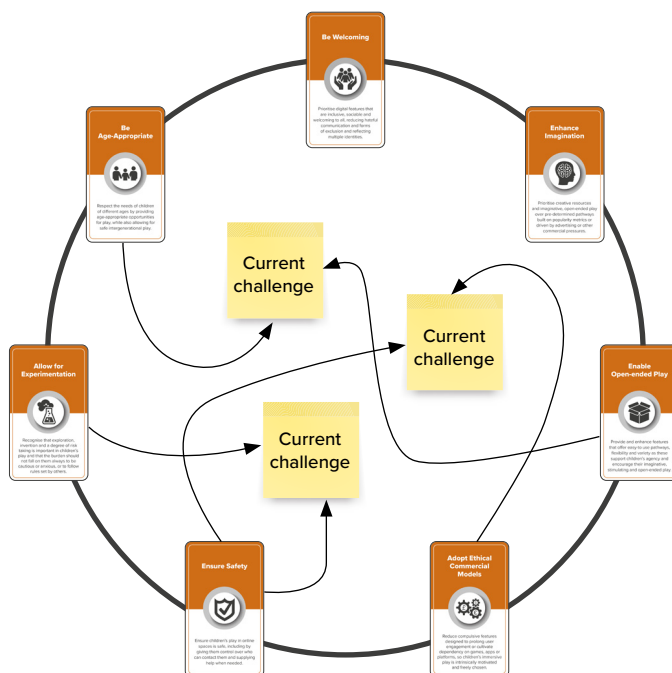
Step 1: Lay the Playful by Design principle cards out in a circle on a tabletop or virtual board (see below).

Step 2: In the centre of the circle, write your current challenges on sticky notes.

Step 3: Link each challenge to two of the relevant Playful by Design principles. (It’s best to start with two, even if more apply!)

Step 4: Look at the web you have created and reflect on the principles that you have linked to.

Optional Step: Now that you have identified which Playful by Design principles relate to your current challenges, you can use the icons on the cards to identify relevant prompts. Reflect on children’s experiences with your product by using the ‘Why?’ prompt cards. Consider alternative approaches to the design of your product, and explore the ways design decisions shape possibilities for play by using the ‘What if...?’ prompt cards. Plan ways to improve the features and functionality of your product with the ‘How?’ prompt cards. The Q&A playboard will help you record your ideas.



Watch the animated guide

