## **Rewind play**

You never grow tired of loving to hear peoples stories and experiences. We all have such unique and many universal experiences. The way we play changes with each generation, and where we were raised. The new things that come along tantalize us for a moment but what endures? How did we play and how do we play? Many of the rhymes and games that were play even 40 years ago we don't know now. Ever wondered what we did before our world was awash with media and play?

**Rewind play** is a series of interviews of people sharing their recollections about play when they were young and reflections on what they want play to be now. No groans here. Feel inspired to try, remember and revisit some of these yourself. The aim to provide a record of play as it was and as it is.

## **Questions**

- How do you think play has changed over time?
- How can we encourage old fashioned play values?
- Tell us a story about your playtime.
- What did you do at recess/breaktime?
- Favourite stuffed animal/toy/doll.
- Describe a Christmas toy/birthday toy you loved.
- Tell us about your playing outdoors- bikes, hikes, corner, street play.
- What songs do you remember singing?
- Earliest recollections of you and your mum or you and your dad playing.
- Story of a broken toy or a lost toy.
- Best places you loved to play
- Toys you coveted
- Did you have any handmade toys or special toys given to you?
- How would you describe your childhood?
- What memories do you have of playing with your friends? your siblings?
- What would be a perfect day in childhood?
- Who did you want to be when you were older?
- What favourite stories do you remember?
- What memories do you have about where you lived? (country street cottage apartment)
- What is your ethnic background?
- What family memories have your parents or family memories ever shared about their play childhood?
- What memories and stories do you have about playing with people that were different to you (race, religion, language, class)
- How were you disappointed in your childhood?
- What did you really really want?
- Tell us about your sports and extra curricular activities what did you do?
- Who do you remember playing with you and what was it?

Tell your story on the show

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