Balance Beams

Form balance beams by stacking wooden blocks and/or planks of various sizes, taping a line on the ground, or drawing chalk on the ground. Encourage children to stand and/or walk on the beam. Provide your hand to hold. Some children may find it difficult to balance. Provide your hand or an object to hold. Or modify the thickness or height of the beams, as necessary.

More Support: Notice when non-walkers are balancing either while sitting or standing. Narrate and encourage their progress.

Narrate and Label

Focus and Attention

"I see that your eyes are looking at the balance beam. You're really focusing on keeping your balance as you walk across the beam."

Managing Behaviors

"Putting you arms out to your side helps you keep your balance – nice job!"

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