



## What Would Happen If?

Children use their inquiry skills when they make predictions about what might happen. Ask children, “What would happen if…” questions. These can be real or silly ones.

After children respond, you can follow-up with questions such as, “Why do you think that?” to promote reasoning.

### **Promote Predictions Prompt Children’s Explanations**

“What would happen if I forgot to turn on the light?”

“What would happen if we went outside when it was raining? Why do you think that?”

“What would happen if we could fly?”

“What would happen if the toy dinosaur became a real live dinosaur?”