

## 6. Favourite Childhood Toys

### So many TOYS.



Feel young again and bring back some good memories of times playing with your favourite toys, either by yourself or with family and friends..

Do you remember your favourite toy or game whilst growing up? I'm sure one or two favourites will spring to mind, ones that brought you hours of joy and loads of fun and laughter. What you probably don't realise as much is how much that toy may have influenced you over the years and how it was important in your development as a child. Toys provide so much happiness and enjoyment and both of these help build our self esteem.

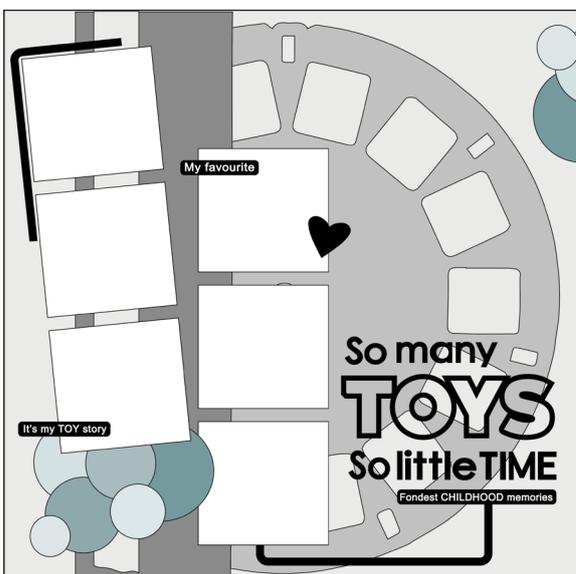
Toys are so very important and special in a child's development and some of you may recall your own stories and lessons, regarding learning to share and playing nicely together.

Not only would they have helped develop your motor skills but nurtured many of your creative minds, sparking your imaginations in probably more ways than you can remember right now. Just for example who has a career in nursing or hospitality etc just from your love of imaginary play with tea party sets (decked out toy kitchen in a cubby), or doctors/nurses sets when we were young. I'm pretty sure we all benefited at some early stage from educational toys, whether that be just building blocks, counting toys, dolls, artists sets or just the backyard basketball ring.

**Find Photos or Images of your favourite toys.** If you are like me, I don't have many actual photos of myself playing with toys but I distinctly remember things I used to love. e.g. my viewmaster, certain games (Trouble, cameras (yes even way back then), hobbytex and the list goes on...

Therefore use that wonderful educational toy we all have now (our computer) - google and search for images there. Save the image, print to size and use on your layouts.

How do you feel about being called 'old fashioned'? **Google**, COOL VINTAGE OLD FASHIONED RETRO TOYS and I can almost guarantee that most of us will find something that we used to play with and love. It's like going back in time. Choose a sketch from below if you need a place to start this layout and enjoy looking back on those fun times.



#### Layout Options:

If you weren't into view masters, you may prefer to use the sketch on the right.

However, If you were like myself, feel free to download the viewmaster image from [HERE](#). You could even include smaller images in the little viewmaster squares.

