

# Introduction

This online toolkit has been designed by London Play especially for Adventure Playgrounds, and has been possible thanks to support from City Bridge. It contains information, step-by-step instructions and tasks to help you understand and carry out monitoring and evaluation in your playground.

Each section contains downloadable guides and worksheets that you can print and complete independently. Examples of monitoring and evaluation in practice have been provided by the eight London-based Adventure Playgrounds who have taken part in Play Works since it launched in 2015, as well as other aligned organisations whose work is relevant. Links to further reading and helpful resources are also included.

By engaging with the toolkit Adventure Playgrounds will be able to:

- Implement better systems for collecting, recording and analysing data
- Generate robust evidence to increase chances of successful funding bids
- Act on their own recommendations to improve their services
- Set the bar within the play sector for effective evaluation
- Share their findings and best practice freely with colleagues in the sector

London Play are keen to expand and improve this toolkit. We'd love to hear about your experience of using it.

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## How to use the Toolkit

The resources and guide have been designed to be worked through chronologically, as they follow the steps of monitoring and evaluation in order. However, if you feel more confident in certain areas or are looking for a particular resource, you can also dip in and out of the different sections.