12 Ways To Beat Boredom With LEGO Bricks
1 Play a mouse trick

Eek! A mouse! Push this four-wheeled frightener past your friends or family to give them a start! Look for pieces in your collection that might work as a nose, tail, ears and eyes.

Get the party started with a dance floor that doubles as a stand for your MP3 player. It won’t just put you in the mood to dance – it also lets you easily see what song is playing, or watch the music video that goes with it.

2 Make a music stand

Make sure the build is tall enough for your music player to lean against.

A bread base stops the build from tipping over.

ON THE DANCE FLOOR

A smooth disco dance floor for smooth disco dancers can be made from multicoloured tiles. You don’t have to build a dance floor, though. You could build a stage with a LEGO® version of your favourite band, or even a mini concert hall – build whatever you like!

3 Climbing a mountain

Want to be a mountaineer? Start small by scaling this LEGO mountain in a fun two-player game! All you need is six minifigures (three for each player) and enough bricks to build a mountaintop that has the same number of steps on each side.

ON THE DANCE FLOOR

Smooth tiles are used to make the speaker top and side.

Speaker sides fit one brick with side studs.

Wheels slot onto long LEGO Technic pin.

Home is a LEGO® Technic tall.

Make a cradle for your music player using smooth pieces.

Each player lines up their three minifigures at the base of the mountain.

Players take turns spinning the spinner and move any one of their minifigures the number of steps up the mountain shown on the spinner.

If one of your climbers lands in a space directly opposite a minifigure on the other side (excluding the very top level), the other player has to send that minifigure back to the bottom!

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SPINNER

You can make your own spinner for working out the number of steps to move on each turn. This one has sections numbered one to four, held together with plates in the middle and at the edges. Use a LEGO Technic axle on the top to spin it on a smooth, flat surface.

The spinner moves on a slide plate underneath.

Plates with bars fit the spinner from landing between two numbers.

The spinner has landed on four – a minifigure can move four steps up!

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4 Strike a pose

What do minifigures get up to when they think no one is looking? Why not grab your camera and find out! You can create all kinds of funny and interesting scenes with just one or two minifigures and some everyday household objects – all of which will seem giant-sized to a minifigure!

I'M HAVING A BALL!

Pose your minifigures in a way that tells a story.

SETTING THE SCENE

Play up the size difference between the real world and the LEGO one. A minifigure would need mountain-climbing gear to reach the top of a real chair, and a team of friends just to carry a massive, giant-sized chair.

A tennis ball

A box full of cotton wool

Climber's rope

I MUST BE A GIANT!

5 Give some LEGO® love

Show someone how much you care with a LEGO heart! There are lots of different ways to make them. Be sure to build with care – or your LEGO heart might just break!

Snout is a brick

Two curved red plates connect to form the bottom of the heart

Open mouth is created with a slope brick

Make sure the slot is big enough for coins to fit through!

6 Build a brainteaser

Each shape has a corner that isn't linked by studs.

It looks as if the only way to separate these shapes is to break off some of the bricks, but there is a clever way to slide them apart without breaking them or changing their shape. Challenge your friends to see who can solve it in the quickest time!

Use smooth plates to cover the sides

Layers of overlapping plates connect the sides

7 Save your pennies

Start saving with a LEGO piggy bank. Your piggy bank doesn't need to be piggy-shaped, but it will need a hollow middle, a slot to put money in and a way to get your money out again!

A layer of smooth plates makes it easy to lift the lid off

OPEN UP!

Build the top of your piggy bank separately so it can lift off easily and let you get at your savings. Or why not try adding a plug to the bottom of your build instead?
Show how you feel today

Express your mood with LEGO bricks! Build a face with just eyes and a nose and you can easily add details that change as often as your moods. How many different looks can your LEGO face make?

Build a family tree

See how much character you can squeeze into tiny brick towers. These groups of tower dudes have just enough clues to give away who they are meant to be! Build your own teams of tower dudes – and quiz your friends to see who can name them in the quickest time!

Create tower dudes

Create your very own LEGO family tree! The branches show the different parts of your family. Begin with yourself and your brothers, sisters or cousins at the bottom and put your oldest relatives at the top. You could even add your pets too!
Design a gift box that is so pretty,
you might not want to give it away.
If that is the case, you could also use
it as a seasonal decoration, or as a secret
place where you and your best friend
can leave messages for each other!

**ALL WRAPPED UP**
The ribbon is what makes this box really
special. At the sides, it is made with
smooth tiles fixed to bricks with side
studs. The loops of the bow on top are
made from four curved bricks, with two
single bricks at the pointed ends.

**HOW TO PLAY**
Set a timer to two minutes. Players
take turns rolling the two sheep
onto a soft surface, scoring points
depending on how they land.
A sheep on its side is worth one
point; a sheep on its back is worth
two points; a sheep with its face down
is worth three points; and a sheep
standing on its feet is worth four points.

**Play the sheep roll game**

1. Baa-nish boredom with this
fun and easy-to-play game.
Any number of players can
take part: all you need is two
LEGO sheep and a soft
surface, such as a carpet.

2. The sheep should be small
enough to fit in your hand.

3. The winner is the player who gets
the most points in two minutes.

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