Episode 125: “The Race” - Activity 25

After reading several books about trains and the people who operate and use them, create a prop box of materials which will allow your child to pretend that he/she is a train passenger or crew member. Include items such as caps, a pocket watch, a pair of coveralls, passenger clothes and shoes, red and blue handkerchiefs, tickets, serving apron with pockets, chef’s hat, horn, pocketbook/briefcase, notepad, etc. (Note: Due to sanitary concerns, a train whistle is not recommended if more than one child/individual will be playing with the prop box.) Your child may want to create a train from chairs, large blocks, or boxes to enhance dramatic play. Encourage your child to use appropriate Spanish vocabulary as he/she engages in train role-play (i.e., el tren, counting uno, dos, tres..., food service - las manzanas, las bananas, la pizza, el chocolate, las uvas, etc.)