

# Translations:Straw connectors/9/en

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The 3D printed straw connectors that we have prototyped can serve to introduce kids to 3D printing and to the concept of parametric design. They can be used in children's games in order to encourage creativity, imagination, the sense of space and spatial planning, geometrical thinking. Moreover, they may come in a large variety of colors and they can be designed to connect 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 or even more straws, in any possible shape. This is what recommends them as a perfect toy for children aged 4-14: according to their age and skills, children can spend from a few minutes to as much as a few hours building virtually any shape of any dimension: towers, castles, cars, spaceships etc.