

Alternatives to LEGO® Blocks

There are various types of colored blocks you can use for your place-value game besides LEGO bricks. Here are some alternative options:

1. **Mega Bloks:** These are similar to LEGO bricks and come in various sizes and colors, making them a good alternative for your game.
2. **Wooden Building Blocks:** Wooden blocks come in different shapes and sizes and can be painted or colored to represent different place values.
3. **MathLink Cubes:** These cubes are designed for educational purposes and come in various colors. They can be connected together to create larger numbers.
4. **Duplo Blocks:** Duplo is a larger version of LEGO designed for younger children. They come in different colors and can be used effectively for teaching place value.
5. **Base Ten Blocks:** These are specifically designed for teaching place value. They include units (ones), rods (tens), flats (hundreds), and cubes (thousands), each in a different color.
6. **Plastic Counting Bears:** While not blocks in the traditional sense, these colorful plastic bears can be used to represent different place values. Each color can represent a different place value.
7. **Jenga Blocks:** Jenga blocks are typically made of wood and can be painted or labeled with numbers to represent different place values.
8. **Colored Craft Foam Blocks:** You can cut craft foam into block shapes and color them to represent different place values. They are lightweight and easy to work with.
9. **Colored Cardboard Boxes:** Small cardboard boxes or containers can be colored or labeled to represent different place values. They can also be stacked to form larger numbers.
10. **Colored Beads:** Small, colorful beads can be strung together to create representations of numbers with different place values.