

Sensory Bin Activity

How to make a dry sensory play bin using recycled materials

Equipment needed:

- Play tray or tub
- Empty toilet roll tube
- Empty kitchen roll tube
- Egg boxes
- Dry rice or pasta (you could break up spaghetti into smaller pieces)
- Plastic bottles (ensure lids are tightly shut after they have been opened to fill with rice)
- Kitchen utensils such as wooden spoons, plastic spatula and metal spoons



What to do:

1. Fill the tray or tub with clean recycling items
2. Use the utensils or hands and feet to explore the items.

Play ideas;

- This activity is perfect for children who aren't so keen on wet messy play
- You could also use dry cereal such as oats, rice krispies or corn flakes
- You can also add soft items such as tissue or cotton wool
- You can practice pouring and transferring the materials from one tub to another
- See what different noises you can make with the utensils and the different items
- You could decorate the items in the tub and turn it into an imaginative play area – turn the toilet roll tubes into fairy houses, cut the egg box into sections and decorate them as cars...
- If you want to develop into a wetter texture you can add small amounts of water to the tub