



# Water Activity Guide



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## NUMBER SPRAY

Your child will enjoy working on their numbers using chalk and a small spray bottle. Create this fun activity by drawing numbers on your driveway, sidewalk or patio for your child to wash away. For reinforcement, ask your child what number they are working on as they play.



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## **BUBBLE COLOUR WHISK**

Provide your child with a shallow bin of water, soap and a whisk to create tons of bubbles! Add a bit of colouring and watch as your child creates mounds of bubble foam with a few whips of the whisk. Add scoops and cups to aid in the fun!



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## OIL AND WATER

Sensory bags can be filled with a variety of options. Place oil, water and food colouring in a zip lock bag, seal and tape the top for your child to squish and explore. This bag can be taped to a table, highchair tray or given to your child to play.



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## **TIN FOIL FUNNELS**

Add pieces of tin foil to your child's water play to mold, float and explore with.

Encourage your child to create a 'run way' for the water to be dripped and poured through.



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## WHAT DISSOLVES IN WATER?

Set up a science exploration for your child with items from your kitchen. Put two glasses of water on a tray and some baking items for your child to decide and guess what items will dissolve. Offer sugar, salt, baking soda, rice, flour, corn meal, oatmeal and sprinkles - for your child to 'test' in their glass. Encourage your child to put items that they do think will dissolve in one and non dissolving items in the other.



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## **WATER PAINTING**

Water painting is a simple activity that provides tons of fun. Supply your child with a variety of sized paint brushes or rollers to dip into water and draw on construction paper.

Extend the play by having your child paint the porch, fence or driveway to observe how water dries on a variety of surfaces.



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## ICE BOATS

Create small 'ice boats' by filling an ice cube tray with water, add food colouring and a toothpick with a triangle sail attached. Freeze the boats and float in a sensory bin of water or take into the tub to explore.



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## **WATER CYCLE BAGGIE**

Take your baggie and draw a cloud and a sun at the top. Then draw some lines to represent water towards the bottom of the bag, about an inch high. Fill your baggie with water up to the water line you drew.

You can add a couple of drops of blue food coloring at this point. It just looks cool and makes the water easier to see. Seal up the baggie well and tape it to a sunny window. Now you wait. The sun will cause the water to evaporate. You can see it start to condense in the clouds you drew. As the condensation builds up it will slide down the sides of the bag back to the water at the bottom. You made rain!



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## OIL AND WATER MIX

Will oil and water mix?  
Fill a jar 1/2 full of water and 1/2 full of oil. Add a bit of your child's favourite colour of food colouring. Encourage your child to shake the jar to see if the water and oil will mix. It will mix temporarily, but your child will be fascinated to see that water and oil immediately start to separate.



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