



Wee Play & Learn



Wee Experts (5 - 6 years): Quiet Bins

This is an open-ended activity to encourage your child to use their imagination for play. Through activities like this, children learn that materials and objects can be used in many ways and not always what they are meant to be used for (i.e. pipe cleaners and paper plates can be used to create a bead puzzle). This activity is great for promoting independence while parents may be busy cleaning or cooking or working, etc.

What You Need:

- 3-4 plastic bins with lids
- Various materials to place in each bin
 - Paper plates and pipe cleaners
 - Popsicle sticks and glue
 - Dinosaurs or other small toy animals
 - Construction paper

What To Do:

1. Create 3-4 bins for your child (the bins can be changed anytime with new materials).
2. Create bins that don't have a specific task or way to do the activity.
3. Discuss with your child what a Quiet Bin is and what they can do with it.
4. Let your child manipulate the materials in the bin – let them use their imagination.
5. Once they have 'finished' with a bin, you can change it with another bin.



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