

Fun with Cups

Age: Toddlers (18-36 months)

This activity helps your child's development in this domain: Cognitive

What You Need:



- Different sizes, colors, and kinds of unbreakable cups

What To Do:

1. Put the cups in order of size and explain, "This one is the smallest. This one is the biggest."
2. Mix up the cups and have your child try to put them in order from smallest to biggest.
3. Find other ways to group and order the cups. For example, sort by color, by shape, or with or without a handle.
4. Have your child group the cups and ask her why she put certain ones together. Her reasons may surprise you.
5. Count the number of cups in each grouping.

Variation:

If you have a set of measuring cups, show her how to nest the cups by fitting smaller cups in larger ones. (Stack them on top of each other from smallest to biggest or in each other from biggest to smallest). Separate the cups and have her nest them.

