

Washing Toys

Age: Toddlers (18-36 months)

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

What You Need:



Small plastic tub
Soapy water
Sponge
Small toys to wash

What To Do:

1. Find a suitable indoor or outdoor space to play with water (i.e., bathtub, tile floor, deck, yard, etc.).
2. Give your toddler a small plastic tub of soapy water and a sponge.
3. Show her how to dip her toys and sponge in the water and wash the toys, then let her do it by herself.
4. Use directional language, for example, "up and down" or "side-to-side."

Safety Alert: Toddlers love water but never take your eyes off your child while she's in the bathtub or playing with a container of water. Children can drown in just a few inches of water.

