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Toys, Technology and Training

Toys and assistive software catalogue



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Toys, Technology and Training Project

What is the TTT Project?

Kildare Library Services would like to inform you about our specialised Toys, Technology and Training Project.

The collection is designed to offer support to children and adults with learning difficulties, disabilities or more significant needs. Based in Athy, Leixlip and Naas Libraries this specialised collection of toys, software and assistive technology can be accessed free of charge in branches throughout the county and can be borrowed or utilised by joining up at any Kildare library. Items in the catalogue can be requested or renewed online and collected by the borrower at their nearest branch library.

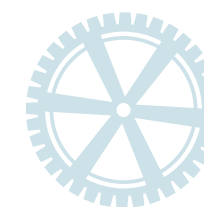
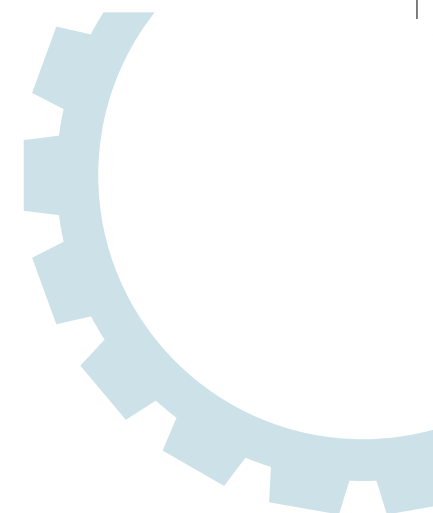
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The collection was chosen by the staff of Kildare Library Service in partnership with therapists working in the community.

The Project also includes the Training element of "TTT" which is our annual series of free lectures and workshops. These events offer further guidance, support and networking opportunities for parents, teachers and healthcare professionals.

For up to date details of future talks and events relating to the TTT Project please subscribe to the TTT newsletter at kildarecoco.ie/library/newsletter.

Attendance at all of the events is free of charge and open to everyone but advance booking is required. Please contact the library where the talk is happening to book your place.



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Assistive Software & Technology

Software can be borrowed or used on a public
access computer in your local library by
arrangement.

May not be compatible with all operating systems.

Assistive Software & Technology



Nessy Fingers: Touch Typing

Touch typing course.



Nessy Learning Programme

Ideal for use in the classroom.
Ideal for students with dyslexia or dyspraxia.

A cumulative structure of incremental lessons.

Learning is focused into small manageable steps.

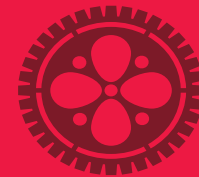
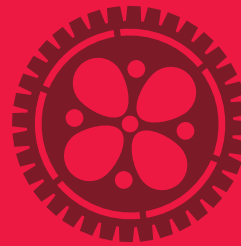


Bee Bot

A programmable robot that promotes planning and directional language. Programme the Bee Bot to move across the room or use the variety of activity mats available. Have the Bee Bot negotiate its way around an obstacle course by programming it to move left, right, forward or backward.

Fine Motor Skills

Fine motor skills are the coordination of muscles, bones, and nerves to produce small, precise movements. These items have been chosen to aid fine motor skills and many promote other skills such as literacy and problem solving.



Fine Motor Skills



Design and Drill

Design & Drill is ideal for developing motor skills and encourages creativity as children secure the colourful bolts into the activity boards.

Promotes:

- Manual Dexterity
- Fine Motor Precision
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Imaginative Play



Double Handed Tracking Boards

The child has to guide a wooden pencil along the pattern carved into this sturdy wooden board. Comes in a pear and star design. Suitable for right - or left - handed children.

Promotes:

- Handwriting Skills and Pencil Grip
- Fine Motor Precision
- Visual Motor Skills



Froggy Feeding Fun

Squeeze the frog's mouth to catch a treat in this fine motor skills game. Players roll the dice to determine the number and colour of flies to collect, then manipulate the durable plastic frog to collect them.

Promotes:

- Handwriting Position
- Teaches Colours
- Counting
- Fine Motor Precision



Graphical Exercise Set

Each set has three manipulative boards which can be separated.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Precision
- Visual Motor Integration
- Pre-handwriting Skills



String Cars

Thread the cotton lace through the openings on either side of the vehicles and string up a collection.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Precision
- Manual Dexterity
- Bilateral Coordination
- Sequencing
- Counting skills



String Farm

Thread the cotton lace through the openings on either side of the animals and string up a collection.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Precision
- Manual Dexterity
- Bilateral Coordination
- Sequencing
- Counting skills



Megability Beads

Set includes 6 beads ranging in size, soft nylon string and features a handle and a stopper bead.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Precision
- Manual Dexterity
- Large Motor Planning
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Bilateral Integration
- Colour Recognition



Take-Along Tool Kit

This 24-piece set includes wooden nails, screws, nuts, and bolts. As well as using this as a construction activity you can ask the child to count the number of tools and identify each one or sort items by colour or type.

Promotes:

- Manual Dexterity
- Early Maths Skills
- Fun and Imaginative Play

Fine Motor Skills



Super Sorting Pie

Place the sorting cards into the bottom of the pan to provide visual cues that support success. Top crust becomes a bowl to conveniently hold plastic fruit. Jumbo tweezers reinforce fine motor skills.

Promotes:

- Counting, Colours and Shapes
- Sorting, and Organisation.
- Fine Motor Skills



Button-up Bear

This bear allows the child to participate in a number of fine motor tasks. They will also be able to match shapes and colours.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Matching and Sorting
- Colour Recognition
- Counting



Rotating Disc Puzzle

Rotate the discs to move them up and down the pole.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Visual Perception
- Motor Planning
- Problem Solving Skills



Magnetic Maze Pack

Use the magnetic wand to move the ball around the mazes.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Pre-literacy Skills



Marble Maze Farm

Use the magnetic wand to move the ball around the farm maze.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Pre-literacy Skills



Route Maze

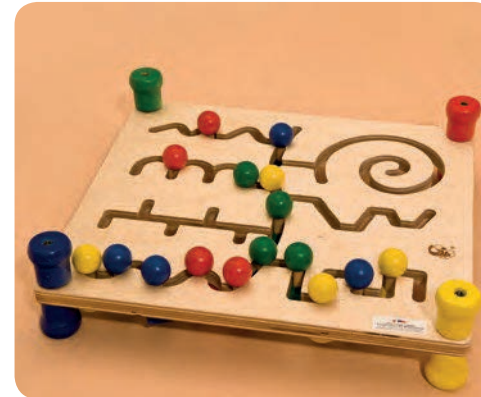
Move the large peg across the wooden maze.

Two mazes available:

Right Angle Maze and Quadruple Maze.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Motor Planning
- Visual Perception



Route Builder

Move the pegs around the board to make one of the twelve patterns. Can be set at different angles for double-sided play.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Motor Planning
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Pre-writing Skills



Threaders

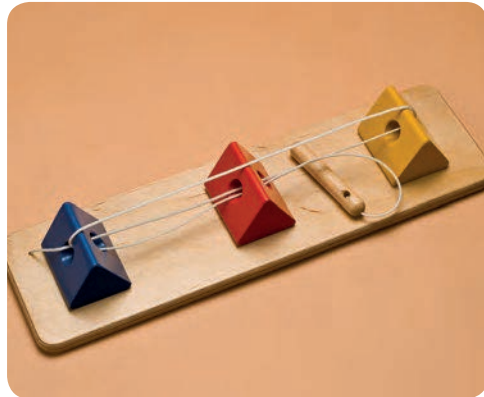
Thread the large chunky needle through the holes.

A variety of threaders are available.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Sequencing
- Problem Solving

Fine Motor Skills



Three Triangle Threader

Thread the lace through the wooden triangles. Suitable for those who have difficulty with hand control.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Sequencing
- Problem Solving



Slanted Writing Board

Sloped surfaces are easier to write on and can provide assistance to children who have difficulty with handwriting.

Promotes:

- Literacy Skills
- Fine Motor Skills



Ruff's House Tactile

Help the fuzzy dog sort through all the textured rubber and cloth bones he hid in his doghouse. Builds fine motor sensory play skills, plus teaches children about matching, taking turns and sharing. Features a variety of rubber and cloth bones: smooth, silky, scratchy, bumpy, ridged and more.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Colour Recognition
- Counting
- Sorting
- Imaginative Play



Abacus

Wooden abacus.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Numeracy Skills
- Colour Recognition



Gross Motor Skills

Gross motor skills are tasks that utilise the gross or large muscles of the body like those in the arms, legs and core. Walking, balancing, and crawling all utilise gross muscles.



Balance Board Maze

The maze in this balance board distracts from the balancing exercise thus making the challenge harder compared with a standard balancing board.

While this board can take weight up to 80 kg, the footprint size makes it suitable for 3-10 years.

Promotes:

- Balance
- Motor Planning
- Visual Processing

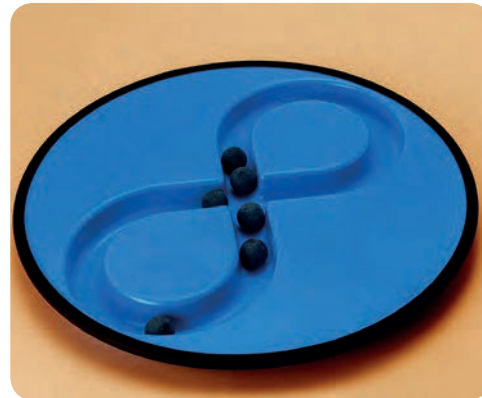


Figure 8 Maze

This figure 8 maze is a table top activity. The deeply grooved pattern allows all children to be successful by coordinating the pressure with the hands to move the ball through the maze.

Promotes:

- Crossing Midline
- Encourages Hand Dominance
- Coordinating Body Sides
- Hand-eye Coordination



Core Disk

These inflatable Core Disk cushions are designed to encourage movement, balance and increased sensory awareness in a variety of situations.

Promotes:

- Strengthening of Core Muscles
- Can be used as Fidget Seat



Balance Disc

A unique balancing board for play. The board consists of a hard plastic surface with non-skid elevations in artificial rubber to give a good foothold.

Promotes:

- Balance Skills
- Righting Reactions

Gross Motor Skills



Balance Seat

T-shaped seat which encourages child to maintain a midline position and work to keep central. Provides movement input without bouncing.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Core Stability



Monkey Balance Board

Small balance board perfectly sized for little feet.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Sense of Balance
- Coordination
- Reaction
- Concentration



Putt Putt Balance Board

Move the ball around the maze while keeping your balance on the board.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Flexibility
- Coordination
- Balance



Tai Chi Balance Board

A balance board with a ball on an inner track. Children can move the ball along the track by balancing on the board and moving it back and forth.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Balance
- Coordination



Balance Board

The maze on this balance board distracts from the balancing exercise thus making the challenge harder compared with a standard balancing board. This product contains 3 easily replaced inserts each with a different challenge level.

This balance board can take a maximum load of 120 kg.

Promotes:

- Balance Skills
- Righting Reactions



Balancing Egg

The Balancing Egg is unique in combining a lot of fun with awareness of posture and development of balancing skills. The base of the egg is a soft ring that adapts to the head of each child. The skill now is to build your egg, piece by piece, on this base. Younger children can start by balancing one or two pieces of the egg. To challenge those who have perfected the skill (not an easy task), place some items inside the egg. Suitable from ages 7-14.

Promotes:

- Balance
- Core Muscle Strength
- Motor Planning



Rotago

Rotago is a system of spin which is challenging and fun. The rotation results from body movement and the up/down design of the base track. Holding the child's hands allows it to be fun for those who find it too challenging. Max load 120kg.

Promotes:

- Core Muscle Strength
- Balance
- Coordination
- Cardiovascular Training
- Kinesthetic Perception



Floor Surfer

This item has wheels at the bottom of it. The child can sit on it and scoot – promoting balance, or they can lie on it and propel themselves with their hands – promoting core muscle strength. The board allows the child to receive proprioceptive feedback (information into muscles and joints) which can help with concentration.

Promotes:

- Balance
- Core Muscle Strength
- Upper Body Strengthening

Gross Motor Skills



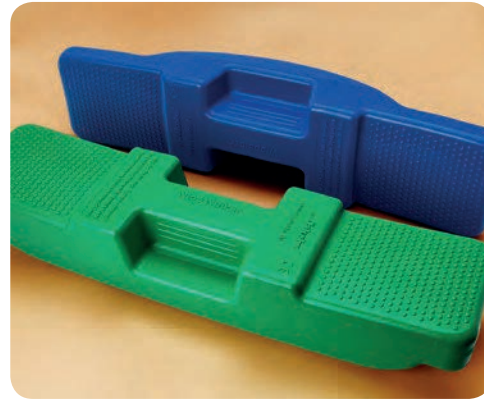
Popper Board

The child can stand, sit, rock, tilt and wobble on this device. It makes a pleasant popping sound when it moves.

Weight limit: Approximately 110 lbs

Promotes:

- Core Strength and Stability
- Balance
- Coordination



Wippsider/ Wippwalker

An easy to use see-saw and walking toy for developing a sense of balance.

Promotes:

- Balance
- Righting Reactions
- Motor Control



Rocking Seesaw

This Rocking Seesaw is ideal for teaching balance, control and coordination. The non-slip rubber inserts provide sensory stimulation for the feet.

Promotes:

- Balance
- Righting Reactions
- Vestibular Input



Rainbow River Stepping Stones

Each stone features a different slope and texture that challenges balancing skills while providing sensory stimulation to children's feet.

The game's difficulty level can be adjusted through 3 directional points and the ability to stack two stones together. This 6-piece activity set includes stepping stones of three different sizes.

Promotes:

- Balance
- Tactile Sensory Input
- Righting Reactions

Gross Motor Skills



Walking Turtle

Children can kneel, sit or stand on the turtles back and rock gently from side to side to move along the floor.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Balance
- Coordination



Rotation Board

Hold the handles while spinning or rocking on the board in circles.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Balance
- Coordination



Roller Seat

Sit in the 'U' shape or sit across and the roller seat can move in any direction. For indoor use only.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Coordination



Scooter Board

Sit or lie on the board and scoot or be pulled along.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Upper Body Strength
- Development of Movement
- Balance

Gross Motor Skills



Rock Around

Allows for gentle circular rocking motion with room for one or more children.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Balance
- Coordination



Bilibo

A spinning seat. Spinning activities should always be monitored. Never spin a child without their permission.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Balance
- Posture Control
- Sensory Processing

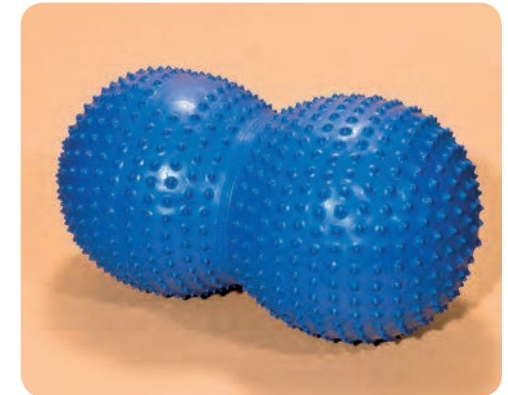


Forever Up-Down

Hand-held activity. Manipulate the ball around and around while keeping it on the track.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Visual Perception
- Spatial Skills



Peanut Sensory Roll

A peanut shaped physio roll with a bumpy surface all over.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Sensory and Tactile Input

Gross Motor Skills



Peanut Physio Roll

Peanut shaped Physio Roll.

Promotes:

- Flexibility
- Coordination
- Gross Motor Skills
- Core Strengthening
- Balance



Gym Ball

Large therapy balls.

Available in sizes:

45cm and 55cm

Promotes:

- Flexibility
- Coordination
- Gross Motor Skills
- Core Strengthening
- Balance



Sit 'n' Gym Ball

A physio ball with little feet underneath to stop it rolling while still allowing for bouncing movement.

Available in sizes:

45cm and 55cm

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Core Stability
- Balance



Large Sensory Ball

A large soft ball with a bumpy surface all over. Suitable for throwing and catching activities.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Core Stability
- Sensory Stimulation

Gross Motor Skills



Tactile Massage Ball

Gym ball with an all-over pimpled surface for a sensory and tactile experience.

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Sensory Stimulation



Tactile Discs

Tactile material that challenges children's sense of touch on both hands and feet. The tactile discs, made of nice-to-touch synthetic rubber, contain different tactile structures, each with its own colour. A set of 5 different tactile structures in a range of colours.

Promotes:

- Tactile Integration
- Regulation
- Matching and Counting



Gross Motor Skills Kit

A selection of items used to promote Gross Motor Skills.

Contains items such as:

- Bean Bag Balls
- Bean Bag Bears
- Monster Mitts
- Reaction Balls
- Sure Katchball

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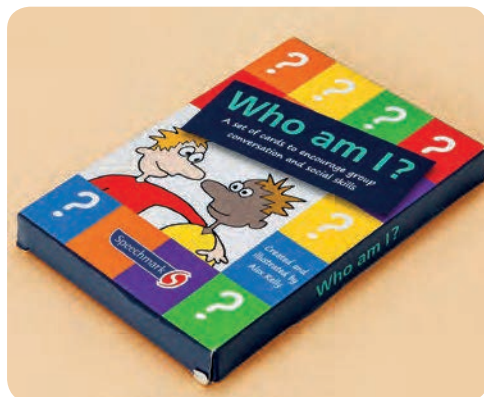
Speech, Language and Social Skills

Social skills are used to interact and communicate
with others.

These items have been chosen to aid both verbal and
non-verbal communication, such as speech, language,
gesture, facial expression and body language.



Speech, Language and Social Skills



Who Am I?

The cards can be used in a number of ways such as a warm-up game, group cohesion activity or a closing game. They can be used to get a new group or for players to get to know one another by asking appropriate questions. The cards will therefore help to stimulate group conversation and allow people to practice and improve good social skills with others.

Promotes:

- Communication
- Social Skills



Basic Sequences

Designed to support language development for children and adults. Basic Sequences features cards in 16 three-step sequences of common activities like shaving, writing, eating, reading and painting.

Promotes:

- Communication
- Organisation
- Sequencing

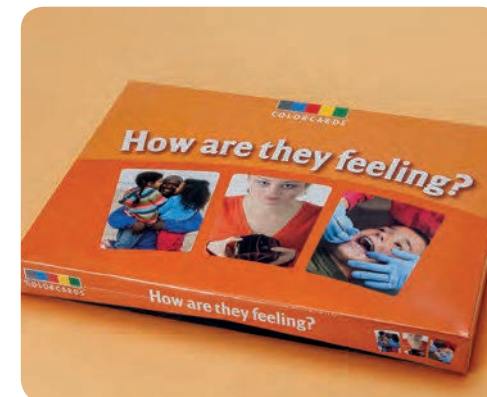


Expressive Verbs

The 48 cards depict a wide range of states such as listening and frowning, intentions such as beckoning and stopping, reactions such as hushing and sneering, and emotions such as anger and happiness. Includes: fingers – counting, tapping on the shoulder; hands – waving, shaking hands; faces – frowning, raising eyebrows.

Promotes:

- Communication
- Social Skills



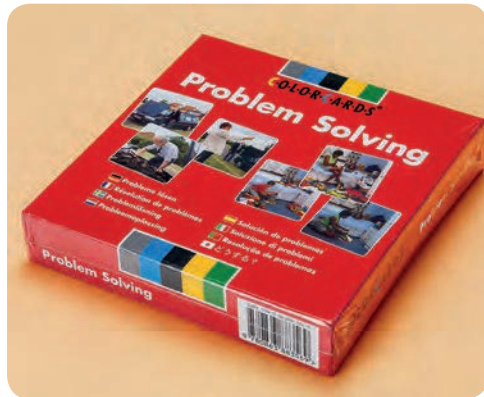
How are they feeling?

Cards with different activities and expressions. The child has to guess how the person is feeling using the clues from the pictures.

Promotes:

- Reading Faces and Contexts
- Communication Skills
- Emotional Intelligence

Speech, Language and Social Skills



Problem Solving

The child tells you what they see in the cards and what they might do in that situation.

Promotes:

- Communication
- Social Reasoning
- Problem-solving

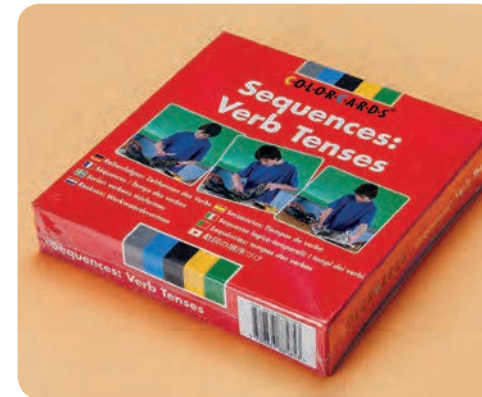


Simple Sequences

The child sorts the cards into simple sequences of actions.

Promotes:

- Communication
- Sequencing
- Problem-solving



Sequences Verb Tenses

The child sorts the cards into sequences of actions.

Promotes:

- Communication
- Learning about 'action words'



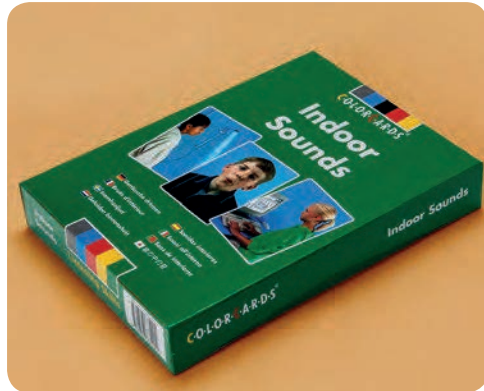
What are they Thinking?

Cards with different activities and expressions. The child has to guess what the person might be thinking using the clues from the pictures.

Promotes:

- Reading Faces and Contexts
- Communication Skills
- Emotional Intelligence

Speech, Language and Social Skills

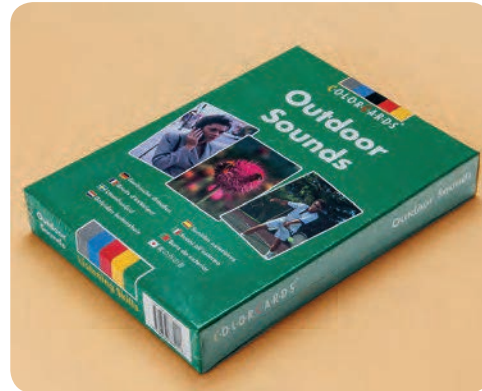


Indoor Sounds

Cards with different activities and a CD with matching sounds. The child has to match the Indoor sound with the picture card.

Promotes:

- Listening Skills



Outdoor Sounds

Cards with different activities and a CD with matching sounds. The child has to match the Outdoor sound with the picture card.

Promotes:

- Listening Skills



What Can You See?

This entertaining game can be played by both individuals and groups. Each of the selection of pictures is viewed through a space in the book's pages, gradually revealing more and more of the image. This allows players to guess what they can see, encouraging communication and vocabulary building.

Promotes:

- Listening skills
- Attention and Concentration
- Logical Thought
- Visual Perception
- Problem Solving
- Expressive Language



Multi-Match Categories

Comprising two sets of identical pairs, Multi Match has been designed for a variety of games, matching tasks and activities suitable for children, adolescents and adults.

Promotes:

- Communication
- Attention and Concentration

Speech, Language and Social Skills



Prepositions

Eight prepositions have been photographed six times in different contexts. The concepts and vocabulary shown relate to common experiences such as a cat on a lap; while other cards introduce humour with for example, a bear queuing at a bus stop.

Promotes:

- Language Development
- Communication



The Socially Speaking Game

The game focuses on social interaction in three key areas: home, school and wider community.

Promotes:

- Listening
- Social Skills

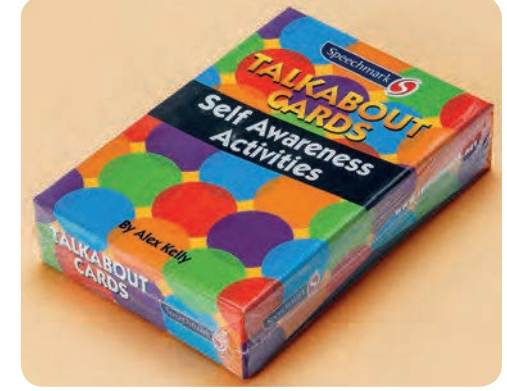


Talkabout Game

The Talkabout board game is a journey through the week where a player will encounter a number of different social skills tasks that need to be completed in order to get to the end of the week.

Promotes:

- Self-Awareness
- Self-Esteem
- Body Language
- Conversational Skills
- Assertiveness Skills



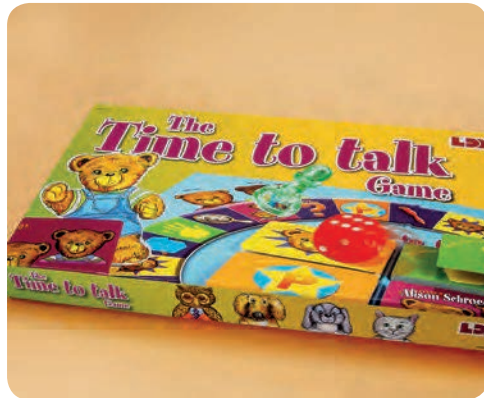
Talkabout Cards Self Awareness Activities

Fun, quick and easy to play, this game features the familiar Talkabout drawings to provide visual cues. There are 20 group games. Each game card includes instructions for playing the game and colour coding to show which cards are best to use. A lot of the activities can be made easier or harder by increasing or decreasing the number of cards.

Promotes:

- Self-Awareness
- Social Skills

Speech, Language and Social Skills



The Time to Talk Game

Get children talking and interacting with this board game. The game teaches and develops essential language and social skills for children aged 4-7.

Promotes:

- Listening
- Turn-taking
- Basic Conversations
- Non-verbal Communication
- Eye Contact
- Understanding Feelings.



Verbs and Prepositions

Use these cards to help children practice saying sentences and learn how to use verbs in every day life. Prepositions are used in most sentences and they are learned early on in a child's development.

Promotes:

- Vocabulary
- Verbal Comprehension
- Communication
- Social Skills



Early Language

Includes Early Vocabulary and Language Concepts packs. Is your child talking yet? If not, use these cards to encourage him/her to start talking and also begin to use more descriptive words as well.

Promotes:

- Early Concepts
- Vocabulary
- Verbal Comprehension
- Communication
- Word association
- Social Skills



Word Association

Allow your child to use language in a colourful humorous way. If your child is talking, but needs help to expand their language skills by learning to describe, explain and discuss things, then these cards are excellent.

Promotes:

- Communication
- Verbal Reasoning
- Language Processing
- Problem Solving
- Word Association
- Logical Thinking
- Social Skills

Speech, Language and Social Skills



Better Builders Community People

Better Builders Community People is a ball and rod construction toy with colourful faces, uniforms, and personalities!

Promotes:

- Communication
- Play
- Manual Dexterity
- Imagination
- Colour Recognition



Better Builders Emotions

Better Builders Emotions is a ball and rod construction toy assembled as 6 dramatic play characters. The faces express 6 distinct emotions to which children can relate: happy, sad, angry, surprised, confused, and scared.

Promotes:

- Understanding Feelings
- Verbal and Non-verbal Communication
- Imaginative Play



Spring People

Four people, fitted into spring loaded tubes, which bounce up and down at the slightest touch. It can be used to teach counting and colours or can be used as a 'cause and effect' toy.

Promotes:

- Counting
- Colours
- Cause and Effect



Concentration Skills Kit

A selection of items used to promote Concentration Skills.

Contains items such as:

- Handtrainer
- Tangle
- Magnetic Polydron
- Bean Bag Bears
- Stress Ball Set

Items in the kit may differ from the photograph

Speech, Language and Social Skills



See and Learn Vocabulary Kit

Introduces children to their first words at the earliest stage of language development (18+ months) in approximate developmental order.



See and Learn Phrases Kit

Teaches children to put spoken words together in a range of two key word phrases and to read their first sight words and phrases.



See and Learn Sentences Kit

The next step, pulling together all the words that the children have learned so far, along with some extra vocabulary, into a reading scheme of 25 books focusing on sentences and grammar.



See and Learn First Counting Kit

Teaches children to count to 10 and to understand important concepts about the number system.

See and Learn Kits Down Syndrome Ireland

- Developed by Down Syndrome Education International to specifically support the learning needs of young children with Down Syndrome
- Evidence led, structured programmes which help children with Down syndrome develop their speech, language, early literacy, and numeracy skills
- Easily used by parents and professionals



Play and Life Skills

Through play, children can develop physical, social and cognitive skills.

These items have been chosen to aid these skills and to develop confidence in everyday and new experiences.





Dress a Pillar

This toy helps your child learn to dress. There are small pockets to place rewards in for accomplishment and there are six dressing activities e.g. lacing, buckles, buttons, zips etc.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Dressing Skills
- Bilateral Coordination
- Hand-eye Coordination



Learn to Dress Monkey

This is a 21 inch tall monkey featuring 11 dressing activities. Your child can learn to snap on straps, button, hook and loop, zipper etc. Includes runners, socks, dungarees and t-shirt, all completely removable for taking on and off.

Promotes:

- Dressing Skills
- Fine Motor Skills
- Sequencing
- Imaginative Play



Octavius the Octopus

Octavius is the perfect tool for teaching dressing skills as each of his legs offers a fine motor manipulative task such as button, buckle, snap or tie.

Promotes:

- Sensory and Tactile Stimulation
- Fine Motor Skills
- Social Skills



Learning Frames

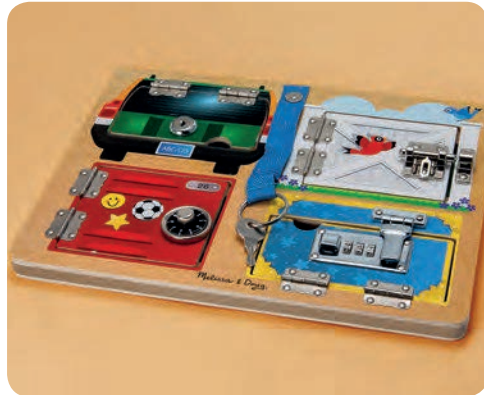
The dressing frames are a set of wooden frames with two pieces of cloth attached to the sides, which can be fastened together at the centre.

There are 12 Frames: one of each Large Buttons, Small Buttons, Zip, Buckles, Toggles, Snap Buttons, Ties, Laces, Velcro, Rings, Safety Pins, Loop buttons.

Promotes:

- Dressing Skills
- Fine Motor Skills
- Sequencing

Play and Life Skills



Lock and Latch Board

Unlock, unlatch, open the hinged panels, and count on finding fun when the pictures beneath are revealed.

Promotes:

- Functional Skills
- Manual Dexterity
- Language



Basic Skills Board

Learn to dress Bear. Practice buttons, zips, velcro, laces and buckles

Promotes:

- Dressing Skills
- Fine Motor Skills
- Bilateral Movements
- Memory



Lacing shoe

Lacing Shoe.

Promotes:

- Developing Independence
- Fine Motor Skills
- Bilateral Inegration
- Dressing Skills



Latches Board

Undo a latch, open the door and reveal the picture beneath. Learn colours, numbers and animals.

Promotes:

- Basic Problem Solving
- Fine Motor Skills
- Colour and Number Recognition
- Counting
- Bilateral Movement



Wooden Doorbell House

This doorbell house features four electronic doorbells, four locks with matching keys and four poseable play dolls

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Creativity
- Auditory Skills



Coloured Overlays

Mutes the contrast between text and background for those with dyslexia and some other reading difficulties.

Promotes:

- Literacy Skills
- Sensory and Tactile Stimulation



Sand Timers

3, 10, 15 and 30 minute sand timers.

Promotes:

- Start and Finish Tasks
- Time Management



Sleep Timer Bunny Clock

Bunny's face indicates when it's time to get up.

Promotes:

- Good Bedtime Routine



Sensory and Tactile

Sensory and tactile stimulation involves the sensation of touch and texture.

These items have been chosen to offer a variety of different tactile and sensory sensations.

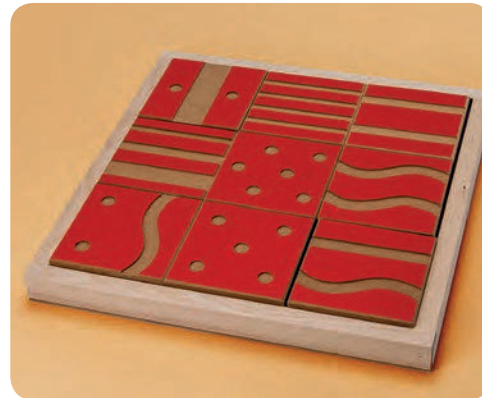


Guessing Box

A hands on way to encourage young learners about shapes and textures. Includes: 20 wooden texture blocks and 20 animal shapes.

Promotes:

- Tactile Discrimination
- Multi-sensory Approach to Learning.
- Turn-taking



Tactile Matching Game

Create shapes and patterns with 18 individual red and blue wooden tiles stored in a wooden tray.

Promotes:

- Matching
- Creativity
- Construction
- Visual Perception



Bumpity Blocks

A set of tactile blocks with bumpy surface all over.

Promotes:

- Visual Perception
- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand-eye Coordination
- Sensory and Tactile Stimulation



Diffraction Tube Ladder

Each of the five tubes is a different colour, is highly reflective and turns with a light touch. Can be used in two positions, upright on base or with rollers in a more horizontal position

Promotes:

- Stress Reduction
- Relaxation
- Manual Dexterity

Sensory and Tactile



Mirror Chimeabout

Wooden spinning frame with jangly shiny leaves.

Promotes:

- Sensory Stimulation
- Tactile Stimulation
- Auditory Stimulation
- Visual Focus
- Visual Tracking



Feelie Dice

Six cubes spin on their axis. Matching pairs can be found and the order rearranged.

Promotes:

- Sensory Stimulation
- Matching Skills



Bitty Bottoms Cushion

Small cushions with marbles inside, suitable for children who need to fidget and move.

Promotes:

- Sensory and Tactile Stimulation
- Core Strengthening



Disc 'o' Sit Cushion

Allows for 'active sitting' or movement while sitting.

Available in:

Junior Size
Regular Size

Promotes:

- Sensory Stimulation
- Balance
- Core Strengthening
- Can aid Concentration



Move 'n' Sit Wedge Cushion

Wedge shaped cushion. Allows for 'active sitting' or movement while sitting.

Available in:

Junior Size
Regular Size

Promotes:

- Gross Motor Skills
- Sensory Stimulation
- Core Strengthening
- Can aid Concentration



Sit on Air Cushion

A straight edge faces on the back of the chair for a dynamic sitting position. When it faces the front of the chair it allows for a relaxed sitting position.

Promotes:

- Balance
- Core Stability
- Tactile Feedback and Stimulation
- Can aid Concentration



Large Air Cushion

Large inflatable cushion suitable for floor work. Size: 55cm.

Promotes:

- Balance
- Tactile Feedback



Weighted Ball

The weighted balls are filled exclusively with water. Their surface allows to achieve a good grip.

2 weights available:

2kg Yellow
3kg Blue

Promotes:

- Aiming and Catching
- Concentration

Sensory and Tactile



Tote Around Hound

A weighted dog (2.3kg) which provides input and stability enabling a child to focus.

Promotes:

- Relaxation
- Concentration
- Sensory Integration
- Calming



Weighted Lizard

The Weighted Lizard is a comforting companion. Through the provided pressure, it can help children remain attentive in class, focus during homework, alleviate excess energy or provide the necessary calmness for bedtime. A period of use of 15 to 20 minutes is recommended due to the weight. Ages 3 +.

Promotes:

- Relaxation
- Concentration
- Regulation



Weighted Snake

The Sensory Weighted Snuggle Snake provides a gentle weight to help facilitate proprioceptive input as it wraps snugly around the upper shoulder area. This fun design and cute fabric makes this friendly snake perfect to wear during school activities, or during times that require good attention. The Sensory Snake can also be placed in the lap if this is more comfortable for the child.

Promotes:

- Relaxation
- Regulation
- Concentration



Weighted Lap Pad

A weighted lap pad which provides reassuring downward pressure to the upper thighs while the user is in a seated position.

Promotes:

- Relaxation
- Concentration
- Self-Regulation
- Calming

Sensory and Tactile



Weighted Lap Blankets

Weighted Lap Blankets have a calming effect, helping attention span and reducing excessive fidgeting. The deep pressure provided will assist your child with just the right input.

Set of three

Each blanket weighs 3 lbs.

Promotes:

- Relaxation
- Concentration
- Self-Regulation
- Calming



Finger Colour Mats

A set of 5 flexible mats with coloured oil. Simple pressure moves the oil around the mat, leaving a temporary trail where pressure has been applied.

Promotes:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Hand Strengthening
- Calming
- Cause and Effect



Fidget Mat

A weighted lap pad with lots of fidgets including pull-string vibration.

Promotes:

- Sensory Stimulation
- Self-Regulation
- Calming



Grippers

Sensory and Magnetic Exploration toy.

Promotes:

- Develops Tactile Senses
- Sensory Stimulation
- Concentration

Sensory and Tactile



Laser Sphere

This dual use laser pod is a relaxing colour changing mood light as well as being a light show projector. The semi sphere top attached creates patterns within the sphere. Remove the top and a dazzling light show is displayed upon the ceiling. Supplied with AC adaptor.

Promotes:

- Relaxation
- Regulation



Laser Stars

Rotating lamp that reflects stars onto the ceiling and walls.

Promotes:

- Sensory Stimulation
- Visual Stimulation
- Self-Regulation
- Calming



Ear Defenders

Blocks out distracting noise and helps child to focus on a given task.

Promotes:

- Concentration
- Calming



Sensory Kit

A selection of items that can be used to help with sensory integration and/or sensory diets.

Contains items such as:

- Hedgehog balls
- Boomwhackers
- Tangles
- Variety of fidgets

Items in the kit may differ from the photograph

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