

Texture treasure boxes

Encourage children to extend their vocabulary by collecting and describing a range of natural materials of different textures

EYFS

Early Learning Goals: Communication & language, Understanding the world

Activity type: pairs or small group with an adult

Length of activity: 20 minutes

Outdoor requirements: playground with a few trees and beds or local park

Resources: Egg boxes with texture words and a range of natural materials (if necessary)

Starter activity:

Read out the texture words. Check that the children understand what these words mean. They have to collect natural treasure each of which feels different (texture).



Main activity:

Ask each child in the group to collect a piece of treasure which matches a word from the treasure box. The treasure must fit into the small compartment of the egg box.

Plenary activity:

Ask that children about their treasure encouraging the use of the correct vocabulary to describe how each piece of treasure feels.

Taking it in turns, one of the children is blindfolded and is given a piece of treasure to hold - see if they can tell you what it feels like, e.g. soft or hard.



Specific risk assessment

Check area has no litter before allowing children to collect natural material.