



Wet and Wild: Water Play

Handout B42

How this activity supports brain development:



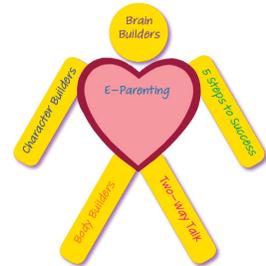
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Which Daily Do I want to focus on practicing:

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When will we do this activity:

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Who else can do this activity with my child:

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How to do this activity:

1. Use **Ready for Play and Learning** to see if your child is ready to play and learn. Remember to use **5 Steps to Success** as you help your toddler explore their natural curiosity during the activity.
2. Fill a large container with water. Put a variety of things in the container that either float or sink like sponges, toys, metal and plastic spoons, etc. Using **Two-Way Talk**, talk with your child about what is happening. You might say: **The blue boat is FLOATING. Wow! Watch the brown stone SINK to the bottom.**
3. Encourage your toddler to play in the water. Say things like: **I'm splashing the water with the spoon. You splash the water with the other spoon.** As you play in the water, encourage your toddler to say new words. Say things like: **I see you SPLASHING the water with your hands. Can you say SPLASH?**