

Beach Toy Shop



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Preschoolers
2.5 - 4 years

Let's play! This interactive beach toy shop will help younger kids practice their language and cooperation, and older kiddos can practice their math skills using money!

Learning Outcomes

Domain:

Social

Indicator:

Exchanging ideas and materials during play

Skills:

Cooperating



Materials

- Beach toys (scoops, bucket, shovels etc.)
- Small table
- Containers for the beach toys to be sorted into
- Paper for beach toy description signs (optional)
- Cash register with pretend money (optional)



Instructions

Step 1: Set up the beach toy shop on a small table. Lay out the toys and sort them into their containers by type.

Step 2: Have your child make signs if they're old enough or print off images to keep the toys separated in bins. This will help older children practice their literacy by matching the word to the image.

Step 3: You can have one or two kiddos behind the counter work together to serve their "customers."

Step 4: (Optional) If you decided to include a cash register, give the "customers" money to pay for their items!



Age Adjustments

For older preschoolers: Set up a cash register and encourage the children to use proper language when interacting with the customers- greeting them, saying thank you for the business etc.

For younger toddlers: Things may get messy and they may not like "serving" customers or may just want to mix all the toys together and use the toys themselves - no problem! This will still encourage their coordination skills when exploring the toys.



Playful Questions

- What toy do you think will be the best to build a sandcastle with?
- How many shovels does each customer need?
- If the beach toy I want to buy costs \$3 and I gave you \$5, how much change should I get back?
- What are some other toys we could add to our shop?