

Tactile cards can be used to build

Materials

1. Old pack of playing cards, visiting cards or blank index cards

2. Fabric paint tubes 3. single hole punch 4. Talc or boric powder

Preparation

 Punch a hole on the top left of the side of the card you are going to paint. This helps orient the card correctly while playing.
If the print on the card distracts, stick white paper on it
Paint simple patterns on pairs of cards. Dots, dashes and lines make the clearest patterns

4. Leave for 24 hours to dry completely. Dust with powder to absorb the last of the moisture.

Activities

- Shuffle the pack and turn it over to play memory pairs
- Place the cards face up. Children close their eyes and find the matching pairs in the fastest time possible.

Benefits

Tactile cards can be used to develop fine discriminatory tactile skills.

Develop matching, sorting, sequencing and memory using the cards.

Self-paced and independent activities can be set up with the cards.

A wide range of activities are possible allowing the same set to be used in multiple ways.

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