

MUD PLAY

For this activity you will need:

- A patch of dirt from outside
- Water
- Bucket and spade
- Sticks, leaves, stones and other found items
- Paper
- Gumboots & old clothes



What is the learning in this activity?

Ages: Ages 2 + * just be prepared with gumboots or shoes and clothes that are ok to get dirty !

Purpose: A great sensory activity, good for fine motor skill development (using fingers and hands), connecting with nature and GREAT FUN ! Kids will LOVE this one :)

Let's play!

1. Dig a hole (somewhere you don't mind making a muddy spot)
2. Pour in some water
3. Mix water into the dirt and play!
4. Children can make:
 - * mud slime
 - * mud pies
 - * mud sculptures
 - * mud creatures
 - * mud sculptures
 - * mud paintings



And of course they can jump in muddy puddles!

Let's talk..

Qs - What does the mud feel like ? You can support your child to describe the experience with new words like: squishy, slimey, squelchy, gooey etc.

Extension - depending on space, you could build things, make roads, make prints in the mud.

We'd love to see your creations and home based play.

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