



Approaches to Learning Activity for Birth to 6 Months

Satin Streamers

This pleasing sensory experience makes children aware of the sense of touch and enhances their curiosity and persistence in reaching for the streamers. Children also practice grasping an object when it is placed in their hands.

Materials:

- Canning jar ring, plastic bracelet ,or other small hoop
- Several different colors of 8-inch satin ribbons

What to do:

1. Tie the ribbons securely to the hoop.
2. Dangle the ribbons in front of the infant where she can reach them while the infant is sitting supported in your lap or in an infant seat.
3. Drag the ribbons lightly across the palm of her hand.
4. Try this with other interesting, dangling materials and textures.

Observe: Does she grasp the ribbons? Does she seem to enjoy the sensation? How long can you keep her interest before she turns away?

