Make your own Sensory Bottles:

Sensory bottles provide good opportunities for hand eye coordination and can also be a great calming activity. They can easily be made from any plastic bottle that is suitable for your young person to hold.

Here are a few ideas with instructions.

<u>Glitter Bottle:</u>

You will need:

Plastic bottle

 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of glitter glue

- 300ml warm water
- Extra glitter and sparkles

How to make the bottle:

- 🖊 Whisk the water and glitter glue in a jug
- 4 Add extra glitter and sparkles.
- 4 Add mixture to the bottle and super glue on the lid.

The more glitter glue added the slower the glitter will move to the bottom of the bottle.



<u>Lava Bottle:</u>

You will need:

Plastic bottle

Baby oil

Water

How to make the bottle:

- Mix 50% baby oil, 50% water with a few drop of food colouring.
- 4 Add all the ingredients to the bottle,
- ↓ Secure the lid, shake it until the colour has mixed with the water.



Water bead Bottle:

You will need:

Plastic bottle

Water beads

- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups of warm water

How to make the bottle:

- Soak the beads overnight in water.
- + Fill the bottle with the soaked water beads.
- 4 Add water as required to fill bottle
- Secure the lid





Floating buttons bottle.

You will need:

Plastic bottle

Glucose syrup

Buttons in a range of shapes, sizes and colours.

<u>How to make the bottle:</u>

- 4 Add warm water and glucose to the bottle and shake until combined.
- 4 Add the buttons and observe.
- If the buttons fall too quickly add more glucose to the water.
- Continue until the buttons suspend.
- Secure the lid

Rainbow Rice Bottle

You will need:

Plastic bottle

Uncooked rice

Food colouring

How to make the bottle:

- Mix rice with different food colouring and leave to dry
- Fill the bottle
- Secure the lid



Rain stick Musical Bottle

You will need:

Plastic bottle

Uncooked rice

Sticks and twigs

How to make the bottle:

- First need to go on a nature hunt for some sticks and twigs.
- ✤ Fill the bottle with sticks and twigs
- 🖊 Add 5 10 teaspoons of rice the sticks
- Secure the lid

You could try experimenting with different things like pasta, small stones, and paperclips etc. to make musical bottles.

There is also a live streaming of sensory massage stories each Tuesday and Thursday <u>http://www.thesensoryprojects.co.uk/covid19-resources</u> click onto the 4th link, it's very good.

Have fun

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