

# Rain Stick Maths Activity

## Maths Concept:

- More and Less
- Full and Empty
- Encourage the child to notice the different sounds the container makes when it has less or more in it.

## You will need:

- A transparent container for example a lunch box, jar or plastic bottle. You will need a lid for your container.
- One of the following; Rice, couscous, lentils, stones
- More, less and empty symbols attached.



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## Task:

- Show the child an empty lunch box. Take the lid off, exaggerate your expression of looking and say 'empty.'
- Give the container a shake and again say 'empty.'
- Put some rice in the container. Shake the container to show there is a sound.
- Ask the child to explore putting more or less into the container. Reinforcing with the Makaton sign and symbol. Please find attached.
- Explore counting when adding stones.

## Extension Activity

- Can the child describe the sound differences one stone rolling to lots of stones.
- Explore using different materials to fill the container. Ask the child to comment on the different sounds.

