

Focus plan for Knowledge and Understanding of the World

Activity - Seaside Lucky Dip Date -

Learning intention

Show curiosity and interest in the features of objects and living things.
Investigate objects and materials by using all of their senses as appropriate.

Resources

Bucket of sand
Spade
Seaside objects - seaweed/shells/driftwood /coins/pebbles

How the activity will be carried out

Bury the objects in a large bucket of sand. Invite the children to take turns to put their hand into the sand and feel for an object. Before they pull it out, encourage the other children to try and guess what it is by asking questions: is it hard/soft/spiky/big/round etc.? Do they know what it is? Were they right? How did they know?

Questions to ask/Language to use

What can you feel? How does it feel? Can you describe it?
Rough/smooth/big/small/spiky/sharp/round/bumpy etc.

Differentiation (Birth to Three)

Leave the bucket with the objects buried in for the children to explore in their own time.

Extension

Leave the bucket and buried objects out with paper and pencils for the children to draw the objects that they find.

Evaluation