

Sorting & Organising



The Task

Find 10-15 “bits & pieces” of nature from around the garden or park, these could be leaves, sticks or stones for example.

When you have your items, arrange your items in a variety of sequences or orders.

Sequences & Orders to try:

Smallest to largest

In order of colour (dark to light, light to dark)

Group objects by similarities (colours, shapes)

Put your items into little groups and ask your child to pick the odd one out

Organise your items into a repeating pattern (e.g. leave, twig, leave, twig)

What are they learning?

Sorting and organising helps children to make sense of the world around them, it also helps them to understand similarities and differences in shape, colour, texture etc.

You could also try...

- Discuss with your child/children what each item is, what it's from, what animals use them for etc.
- Using your items to practice some counting, and adding or taking away.