

Toward a Better World

Bubble Play

Learning Value:

This activity promotes development and learning by encouraging children to develop increasing care for self, others, and the environment.

Materials Needed:

- ▶ [Bubble solution](#)
- ▶ Shallow plastic container or tub
- ▶ Various household objects, such as pool noodles, PVC pipe, lids, hoops, and straws



Participants:

This activity is intended for independent play, adult/child interaction, or 2 or more participants/players.

Directions:

Step 1: Pour the bubble solution into the shallow container. Show your child how to dip the objects in the bubble solution and blow to create bubbles.

Step 2: Explore the bubbles. How can you make them bigger or smaller? Can you create bubbles without blowing?

Step 3: Talk casually about how keeping clean through handwashing and baths helps us stay healthy. Washing hands, using a tissue, and staying home when we're sick are also things we can do to keep others safe and healthy.

Learn More:

Read "Harry the Dirty Dog" by Gene Zion and Margaret Bloy Graham or [watch Betty White](#) read it at Storyline Online. Another option is "Those Mean, Nasty, Downright Disgusting but Invisible Germs" by Judith Anne Rice and Reed Merrill.

[Make and send cards](#) to hospitalized children.

Bright Horizons.

World at Home