

Infant Toddler Sensory: Farm Sensory Tray

Learning Value:

This activity promotes development and learning by encouraging children to develop vocabulary, language, and creativity in play. Very young children explore objects and toys primarily to discover their properties; as children mature, their play becomes more creative, complex, and symbolic.

Materials Needed:

- ▶ Cookie sheet or tray
- ▶ Toy farm figures, such as farm animals, tractors, etc.
- ▶ Dirt or sand
- ▶ Grass or other nontoxic plants



Participants:

This activity is intended for adult/child interaction.

Directions:

- ▶ **Step 1:** Place the dirt, sand, and grass on the cookie sheet.
- ▶ **Step 2:** Add the toy farm figures. Show your child how to explore the dirt and grass, and play with the animals. Demonstrate animal sounds or show your child how to have the animals pretend to eat or take a drink.