

## Wooden Jewel Pebbles

### **Product Code: EY10050**

These beautiful pebbles are a delightful, open-minded, versatile resource.

They are made from wood with an acrylic jewel in the centre.

The children will find their own ways of using them and will follow their own interests. Here are a few other suggestions as to how they may be used.

- They can be stacked, rolled and turned. Encourage the children to explore them. Make the provocation inviting by placing them in containers to be opened and discovered. Place them on different surfaces to make them appealing. Try mirrored surfaces or shatterproof appropriate light boxes.
- Wrap them in voiles, crinkly fabrics, foils etc. so that these treasure like pebbles can be unwrapped and discovered.
- Incorporate them into different schematic play behaviours. Follow the child's interests and adapt accordingly.
- Use them in various themed treasure baskets. You might want to make a pebble themed collection. Compare and contrast them with other pebbles. Use this as an opportunity to enrich the children's vocabulary.
- The pebbles have subtle mathematical qualities. Can you find the largest or the smallest one? Which is the lightest or the heaviest? Use the language of size, shape, weight, position and amount. Use them for one to one correspondence activities. Use them with balance scales. Where is the pebble? Is it under, over, next to, beneath, at the side etc.? Make sequence patterns. Can you find a pebble the same size, or with the same colour jewel.
- Imagine that there are treasure pebbles part of a pirate's collection. Perhaps they have magical qualities. Use them in various imaginative, role play scenarios.
- Hide them in different places for the children to discover. You could leave messages and clues. They could be written or recorded on a device such as a talking button or post card.
- Can you find real pebbles? Rocks, stones and pebbles hold huge fascination for children. There are lots of great books on this theme.
- Use them in small world scenarios. Imagine them in an enchanted woodland scene.