

Jumbo Guttering

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The guttering, ie. channelling pieces fit the Jumbo Guttering Stands – EY07267.

NB: We made the pieces larger as we realised that the children wanted to float bigger things down the channelling. It also gave them a bigger space to pour in the water.

- The children are able to independently place the guttering pieces into a variety of configurations.
- It is useful to have a variety of containers that they can choose from when intending to use water. Choose things with handles such as jugs and watering cans. Vary them in size.
- Have a range of plastic bottles. Some could have pouring spouts, press tops, spray nozzles etc.
- Choose a mixture of materials, eg. metal bowls, pans, spoons, etc.
- Also have various things to collect the water in. (We find that the Active World Tray makes a good base).
- In choosing a diverse range of accessories, that are readily available you will also be offering different fine motor skills opportunities.
- The children may choose to float different things down the channels from leaves to balls. Ensure there is access to a rich variety. Have a range of materials they can choose eg. plastic ducks in different sizes (and other bath toys) boats (some that will carry cargo), plastic fish, divers, mermaids, etc.
- As well as using water the children may choose to drive things down the guttering eg. various vehicles.
- You may wish to introduce ICT by having timers to test how fast they complete the 'circuit' or cameras to record the learning.
- You may choose to have the guttering near to your mud kitchens so that the children can create concoctions.

This is an open-ended activity and the children can experiment and explore, collecting their resources and adapting their plans as they go.