

Water Worlds Set



Product Code

EY04203

Ideas

- This set is designed to be used in a variety of configurations. The towers can be high or low. The children can be the main architects and engineers... (They may need a little help with the connection of the channels but the towers are easy to stack).
- The layout is decided by the children as they may choose a long line or to have channels leading off in different directions. There are various options.
- The set is designed to be used with water. It's a good idea to have lots of different containers that are readily accessible. Try having buckets, watering cans, pans, pots etc. The children may also want to incorporate funnels and tubing.
- There is a section that has pre-drilled holes in order to make rainfall effect. The children can select their container in order to collect the water drops. Try having water sprays for use on the channels. You may wish to colour the water or add some glitter.
- As well as water try having cars and other vehicles careering down the pathways. See if you can navigate boats along the channels.
- Try having items from the sand and water area. We found the children loved using the ducks and could place them in numerical/alphabetical order.
- Additional equipment such as water wheels may add to the quality of play. For practical reasons it may be useful to have builders' trays around the base to collect the water. (AW trays).

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- Try building 2 identical pathways. The children could roll balls down the channels and see who is able to collect them into containers at the end.
- The set is designed to give the children a sense of challenge. They can adjust and adapt as they please. They can make their own scientific discoveries about forces. They can work independently but it is easier to work collaboratively. The resource is a good way of enabling children to communicate.

Conclusion

We observed the children using the set and they were really inventive. They were keen to investigate and explore. Each time it was used in a different way. Different children had different interests but the one thing they all had was a great deal of fun!

