Light Up Twist and Turn Spinning Tops

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Children will have great fun playing with this engaging collection of tops that light up when spun. Encourage them to find out how to make them turn and to change the colours. An appealing way to integrate ICT concepts of cause and effect where the children can make connections and discoveries whilst enhancing fine motor and hand-eye coordination skills.

- You can choose various ways of introducing the tops to children of all ages. You may wish to place them inside a large tray and wait for the children to discover them. The tops work on a variety of surfaces. If you use them on a table ensure that it is large enough to provide enough space for the tops to move around and not fall onto the floor. You may place them in a large sparkly box and have them delivered to your room. Perhaps there is a label with a clue. There might be a message about "How do you make us light up?" You could hide them under a sparkly cloth or scarf and let the children discover what lies beneath.
- The children will have fun trying to make the lights come on and how to spin the tops. They may discover that they can twist the tops in another direction and the colour changes. The children will be developing their fine motor skills.
- You could have timers to see who can make their top spin the longest.
- Use the tops in different areas. They could be used in a sensory environment or a calming space.
- You could drape a dark cloth over a large table and create a den like space for the tops to really shine brightly in.
- Try attaching eyes, a nose and a mouth to the tops (with tape that can be easily removed) so it makes them look like little characters.
- You could place mats or patches on the floor and see where the top finishes. The mats/spaces/patches might relate to colours, a phoneme, a number etc. and the game is to think of an answer. If, for example, it rests on 'C' you might have to think of a name beginning with 'C'.

The tops are designed to help learn about cause and effect, support motor skills and so much more. They are really fun and children will love experimenting with them, either independently or collaboratively.