



Nature Patterning Activity

Have a look for some nature objects in your garden or when you are on your daily walk. These could be leaves, petals, sticks, pebbles, and anything else that you like the look of. Find different containers and see if you can sort them into categories; you can do this by shape, size, colour or any other way you can. Find a surface to create your pattern on, this could be the floor, a table or on paper, and then you can begin arranging. Take one object at a time and carefully arrange the items on the surface you have chosen. Practise counting as you go along and see what patterns you can make. Take your time and have fun!

Suggestions

You can arrange your objects in anyway you choose; be creative!

You could make:

- *a repeating pattern.*
- *Arrange into the shape of a mini beast or flower etc.*
- *Create your own scene such as a garden*
- *Or simply arrange your objects carefully in any place you like*



What learning is happening...

Organising and categorising objects, developing mathematical language, discussions will allow children to develop understandings of mathematical concepts e.g. size, shape, sorting, properties, positional language. Development of concentration and fine motor skills.