

Title: Zipper Board

Age Group: Toddler

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Type of Activity: Fine Motor

Materials:

- Cardboard
- Zippers (several colours and sizes)
- Scissors
- Hot Glue
- A pencil

How to Do it:

- Cut a piece of cardboard (large enough to glue 6-10 zippers)
- Position the zippers on the cardboard and trace around them with a pencil
- Hot glue the fabric edges of the zippers one-by-one (do not glue the middle)
- Place the zippers on the board one by one on the spots you previously outlined
- Allow to dry thoroughly

Root Skill / Extension:

Physical: 5.2 Fine motor, pincer grasp

This activity will allow toddlers to practice their self-help skills, for instance, learning how to zip up their jacket. Encourage your child to use measurement vocabulary like “longer” or “shorter” and name different colours.

Extend the learning: Add buckles, buttons, snaps, Velcro, or shoelaces for a challenge.

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