



## What is a bitty box?

It is simply a box of cut up pieces of paper or magazines to provoke learning in an entertaining way. The type of things you can put in there are:

Different coloured paper shapes, square, circles, triangles etc

*Will promote colour and shape recognition*

Cellophane and silver paper from sweet wrappers

*Allows experience of different textures*

Pictures from magazines, comics, old calendars

*Creates opportunities to talk about the picture and increase vocabulary*

Stickers

*Develops fine motor skills as they peel off the backing paper as well as an opportunity to count the stickers on their paper.*

Letters from papers and magazines

*Enables children to see letters on a regular basis and be encouraged to practice letter sounds.*

To make your bitty box self-contained and an easy to grab activity you may like to add a glue stick, a table cover and some scissors.



Safety first – remove tops away from children who may still be mouthing. Don't leave young children alone with scissors.