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TOY & RESOURCE CENTER BUILDING BLOCKS

ONE ITEM ONE SITE ONE IDEA

This item is *positive-ly* going to *attract* your attention! Stop by and check out these **Shake & Reveal Science Cards** by Lakeshore Learning! The set contains 20 magnetic cards with an activity guide and questions to help little ones identify plant and animal parts while learning about earth science!

Magnets are amazing toys that help kids develop math skills, coordination, creativity, and so much more! Using these cards, children learn concepts of “before” and “after” as they insert each card into the magical window box filled with magnetic fillings, then shake it up to reveal the fascinating changes! Once the card is removed again, kids will be captivated by what they observe!

Encourage curiosity by asking questions that help children expand their thinking skills. For example, once they see the spider acquire eight magnetic legs, ask them to think of other animals that may have eight legs! Build on learning by using small magnets that kids can glide over the window box to create their own unique designs! We have many magnetic toys that will entice them to *stick* with the fun and learning created by magnets! From building with Magna-tiles to experimenting with magnetic rings that attract and repel . . . magnets turn out to be a natural attraction—so may the force be with you!



More Magnetic Fun Can Be Found at <https://bit.ly/43FzBeB>

From magnetic slime recipes to a mess free magnetic learning center—Happy Hooligans’ Magnet Activities will pull you in with hands-on creative ways to incorporate magnets into your little one’s love of learning! Make magnetic play enjoyable by keeping in mind the age and developmental level of children. Magnets are dangerous if swallowed and can present a choking hazard—always supervise!

Magnetic Art



Magnets are a fun-filled way to introduce science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) because kids can be problem solvers and make predictions! You can turn this experience from STEM into STEAM by adding **art**! Create a magnet painting with magnetic wands. If you don’t have one, you can borrow magnetic wands from the TRC!

Items needed:

- magnetic wand (shown here)
- paper
- acrylic or tempera paint
- egg carton
- spoons
- metal items (screws, paper clips, bolts, etc.)
- plastic tray (old food containers work out great)



Cut a piece of paper and place it in the plastic tray/food container. Fill the egg carton with a few colors of paint. Put the metal items into the paint and with a spoon, scoop the paint-covered items out and place them on the paper. Hold the tray and let kids use the wand, under the tray, to move the pieces around and create an abstract painting! For inspiration, go to YouTube and search “painting with magnets.”



Why buy toys when you can borrow them? United Disability Services’ toy lending library loans developmental toys and resource materials to its members. Stop by and see us!

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