

Tinker Talk

Colors of the Rainbow





Side 1

Invite children to explore the contents of the "tub" without any direction other than showing respect for the materials and using them in a designated area or workspace. The question prompts (Side 2) may be used to support the curiosities, conversations, and critical thinking that rise from engagement with the materials. It is up to you the educator to select the questions which are appropriate for your children as they play.

List of Contents*

- Wood cubes
- Craft sticks
- Pom poms
- Rainbow Pebbles
- Prism
- Buttons

- Mirror
- Plastic beads
- Craft stems
- Blue felt square
- Green felt square

*Contents may vary based on availability.

All substituted materials will be suitable for successful tinkering!

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Additional Materials You Might Add

- Crayons and white paper
- Mini flashlights
- Swatches of paint colors
- · Colorful scarves or fabric
- Pattern blocks
- · Red, yellow, and blue play dough

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Side 2

Rainbows are often seen after rainstorms when sunlight is reflected through raindrops. Sometimes you can see a double, triple, or quadruple rainbow in the sky! A rainbow is a great starting point to investigate colors. In this kit, explore colors through open-ended exploration and play. These vibrant, colorful materials will spark a spectrum of curiosity and tinkering inspired by the beauty of the rainbow.

- What colors do you observe or see here? Which of your senses helps you see colors (touch, smell, sight)? Can you find something blue in your tub with your eyes closed?
- Where have you seen rainbows?
 Describe what a rainbow looks like (shape, size, colors).
- How do you think rainbows are formed? What makes a rainbow?
- What are some things you could use to make your own rainbow?
 Are there any changes you would make to a rainbow?
- Can you see a rainbow at night? Why or why not?
- What is your favorite color? Why is it your favorite? If you were a color inventor, what color would you invent or create?
- How do different colors make you feel?
 Can you name a color that makes you sleepy? Sad? Happy?
- Describe the colors of your favorite food.
 Do you eat any foods that are brown? Purple? Other colors?
- What colors do you see outside in nature?
 What colors do you see around you?
- Describe how you think our world would be without color.

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