

Learning every day in every way through play

# Sorting, comparing and making patterns

Collect a range of rocks and encourage your child to sort them into big, small and medium size, or different colours. You can also use the rocks to make patterns.

More activities like this:

- Make groups of objects in different ways, for example sort coins by size and colour.
- Line up toys on the floor from tallest to shortest.
- Find repeating patterns in your house, for example stripes on a t-shirt.
- Put toys away, grouping them according to similarity. For example, all the soft toys go on the shelf, and the cars belong in a box under the bed.

What children are learning:

- Sorting and grouping objects by shape, size and colour
- Noticing how objects in our environment can be big, small, tall, short, straight or curved
- Describing how patterns in our world repeat a sequence, for example brown/red/brown/red