

# Marble/ Ball Rolling

**Activity:** Marble/ball rolling

**Resources needed:** Marbles or small balls - Paint(2 colours) - box/washing up bowl/tray - 2 spoons - 2 bowls/cups - paper/card that fits inside box/tray/washing up bowl If you do not have balls or marbles you could use make paper balls and these will be just as effective.

**What you need to do:** Place paper or card into box/tray/washing up bowl - encourage child to choose 2 paint colours - get the paint and place into 2 different bowls along with the balls or marbles - using the spoons encourage your child to move around the balls/marbles with the spoons in the paint - Then support child/children to use spoons to pick up the balls/marbles and place into box onto paper - show child how to move around the box/tray to move the marbles/balls around to create different marks - talk to child/children about what they see, what colours they see and what colour they can make - learning can be extended by using straws to blow the balls (coordination) on a larger scale or even in the same bowl.

**EYFS areas of development:** When doing this activity your child will be working on the following development areas- Expressive art and design, physical development, communication and language

**What your child will get from the activity:** Fine and gross motor skills by moving marbles around - balance and coordination - learning about colour and how they can mix colours together - how they can make different marks with various objects - understand how marks are made - children can explore different ways they can move balls/marbles around - can extend learning by using balls with different textures e.g. balls with spikes, bumps, big and small balls.

