

Light Pad activities for visual discrimination & efficiency

Protect the light pad surface by placing a sheet of cling wrap or thin sheet of plastic over it, especially when doing messy activities or using material that could scratch the surface.

viewing the world around us	collect sea shells, twigs, leaves and flowers to examine on the light pad
	create a flower arrangement or bouquet; design a garden or park
things and their shapes	place everyday objects like a spoon or toothbrush on the light pad to highlight the differences in their outline shape
	trace around them together with the child and colour in the shape to play shape and object match
glowing food is fun	jelly and juice in transparent cups are lovely when lit on the surface of the light pad. Encourage children to choose or match colours
	lay the table: make big and small rings on a transparency and have the child place a glass and plate in the correct circles
count on it!	cheap plastic numbers glow on the light pad. Do simple math practice like find the number or finish the sequence
	use plastic numbers and beans for counting practice on the light pad
sort it out	Collect bottle caps and lids fro toothpaste covers to lotion caps and have children find the pairs!
	place coloured stacking cups on the light pad and scatter a range of things around from buttons to plastic tokens for children to sort based on colour
creative arts	make patterns using clay - it will easy to see and feel!
	tangram pieces made of wood or plastic are easy to see on the light pad
figure it out!	draw a maze on a transparency. Stick coloured wool for added fun and tactile feedback
playing with patterns	tie bangles to create neat circle rows. place little punch circles of different coloured glass paper and have the child go left to right, top to bottom spotting all the blues, or finishing the pattern for some fun scanning practice

