Sticky Tape

Learning Value:

Infants and toddlers are busy exploring with all of their senses. The stickiness of a tape ball encourages exploration and fine motor skills as your child grasps and releases.

Materials Needed:

Masking tape or other colorful tape

Participants:

This activity is intended for adult/child interaction or 2 or more participants/players.

Directions:

- Step 1: Make a ball of masking or colorful tape with the sticky side out. Make the ball a few inches wide so it is an appropriate size for your young child to handle.
- Step 2: Encourage your child to explore and hold the ball. As they explore, observe what they do and engage in conversation. Describe what you see them doing and when they respond to you, respond back with comments such as, "That sure feels sticky," or "I see you're picking at the tape!" to support development of vocabulary.

Learn More:

Alternately, place large pieces of colorful or masking tape across the floor or table and encourage your infant or toddler to peel the tape off the surface.

