



A Magic Pocket

Reach through the crisscrossed straps to retrieve a toy.

Helps Your Child Grow



Reasoning and Problem-Solving

Reaching past the straps invites your baby to try another hand, turn the object, or change their approach when the first attempt does not work.



Fine Motor

Reaching for and retrieving a toy through the opening gives your baby practice coordinating both hands with what they see.

Steps

- Choose an open toy box, a long strap, and several favorite toys or everyday objects.
- Place the toys inside and weave the strap across the opening to make gaps in different sizes.
- Shake the box gently in front of your seated baby and invite them to reach for a toy.
- The strap may block the first attempt. Wait and watch whether your baby changes hands, turns the object, or repeats the same action.
- Give them enough time to explore their own approach.
- If repeated attempts lead to frustration, demonstrate one new method, then let your baby try it.
- If your baby becomes interested in the toy after removing it, pause the challenge and play with the toy together.

Tips

- After all the toys have been taken out and explored, invite your baby to put one back through an opening.

Observations

- Tries different ways to retrieve a blocked toy
- Coordinates both hands to take out the toy