



Leaf Shaking Bag

A clear bag filled with leaves offers changing sounds, colors, and movement for your baby to explore.

Helps Your Child Grow



Initiative and Curiosity

Rustling sounds and shifting leaves inside the bag capture your baby's attention and invite them to investigate what is changing.



Perception

Looking, listening, and touching as the leaf bag moves gives your baby experience combining information from several senses.



What You'll Need



Several Leaves



Clean and Dry



Seal in a Bag

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1. A few clean, dry leaves in different colors and shapes, sealed inside a clear bag



A Rustle Sparks Curiosity

Gently shake the leaf-filled bag to catch your baby's attention. When they look, hand it over for free exploration. Describe the movements and expressions you see so your baby's actions become part of a responsive interaction.

Observations

- Looks curiously at the leaf bag after hearing it rustle
- Picks up the leaf bag and shakes it excitedly

Tips

- The bag's rustling sound and moving leaves may quickly catch your baby's attention.
- Watch closely and respond gently to the way your baby chooses to explore.
- Describe what your baby is doing so they can hear their actions reflected in your words.



Try a New Movement

If your baby has explored the bag in one way for a while, demonstrate one new movement, such as passing it from hand to hand or giving it a gentle shake. Then pause and let your baby decide whether to try it.

Observations

- Explores the leaf-filled bag with different movements
- Looks at you while playing and waits for your response

Tips

- If your baby is deeply focused, wait before showing anything new. See how long their exploration continues.
- When your baby reaches, touches, or shakes the bag, respond as if sharing the discovery: "It rustles!"
- Place the bag on the floor and pat it once to invite a different movement.
- Touch your baby's other hand gently, place the bag in that hand, and help with one or two shakes if needed.
- Offer a new idea only when your baby's interest in the current movement begins to fade.



Hide and Reveal the Leaves

Fold part of the bag over so some leaves disappear, then open it again like a treasure flap. Pause for your baby to notice the change and try turning the bag over.

Observations

- Looks curiously at the bag of leaves and tries a different way to explore it
- Pats, shakes, pinches, and listens to the leaf bag while watching the leaves move inside

Tips

- Keep the bag securely sealed throughout the activity so the leaves stay inside.
- If your baby becomes fussy or begins looking away, let the activity end.
- When your baby shows you a discovery, respond with warm, specific praise.
- You can create other sound-and-motion objects from familiar materials, such as rice sealed in a clear bottle or objects made from different materials to tap together.