

LETTER WRITING TRAY

A letter writing tray is a great way for little learners to practise writing their letters and numbers. You can use sand or salt or rice. You can use plain rice but for more fun you can make rainbow rice! You can make one colour or a lot of colours and mix them together.

Simply spread out your sand/ salt or rice on a suitable flat tray or dish (if you use a shallow container with a lid it's easy to set up and put away). Set the letter of the week in front of them and children can copy letters using their finger or a paint brush. Simply shake to reset the tray. Once they've finished store the sand/salt/rice in an airtight container or bag.

Rainbow Rice

What you'll need

Long grain white rice

White vinegar

Food colouring or icing gels

Food storage container with lid (like a margarine container, you can also use a snap lock bag if you like)

Instructions

1. Add a cup of rice to the container or bag.
2. Add a few drops of food colouring to the rice.
3. Drizzle 1/2 a teaspoon of vinegar over the rice.
4. Put the lid on the container and shake well.
5. Spread the rice on a tray and leave in the sun or a moisture free place to dry.

