

## How can I use this with my children?

Follow the instructions to set up your sensory tray. Then, encourage your child to trace letters into the sand using the remaining pages of this resource as a reference.

## How does this help my children's learning?

This is a great activity for your children to practise their letter formation without using up paper, pencils or ink. Simply tidy away the sand and use it again next time.

## Ideas for further learning:

You don't just have to trace letters - why not use this resource to practise drawing skills or make fun patterns? If your child is particularly proud of their creation, preserve it with a photo!



# **Summer-Themed Letter Formation**

## Sensory Tray



### You will need:

- A-Z Alphabet on Spade and Buckets
- children's play sand
- tray
- paper drinks umbrella



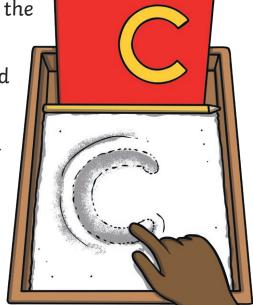
#### **Instructions**

1. You may choose to print out the A-Z Alphabet on Spade and Buckets or you may like to have them displayed on a tablet screen.

2. Add the play sand to the tray and gently shake it to distribute the sand across the bottom of the tray.

3. Provide a paper umbrella for your child to use as a 'pencil'.

4. Your child can now make pictures and patterns in the tray using the paper umbrella, or their finger if they choose. Encourage your child to copy the letters from the A-Z Alphabet on Spade and Buckets into the sand.















































































































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