

# HIRSTWOOD MULTISENSORY TRAINING

## FUNSHEET NUMBER - 2. BUBBLE TUBES

BUBBLE TUBES ARE FABULOUS FOR VISUAL, TACTILE AND SOUND STIMULATION. OUR EYES PREFERENCE THINGS WHICH MOVE SO BUBBLE TUBES SHOULD ENCOURAGE VISUAL TRACKING SKILLS AND FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE TACTILE DEFENSIVE THE TUBE MAY OFFER A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE OF DELICATE TOUCH.

YOU CAN FLOAT THINGS INSIDE THE SMALLER BUBBLE TUBES BUT TALL TWO METRE BUBBLE TUBES MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO GET THINGS OUT IF THEY SINK. GO TO A FISHING TACKLE SHOP AND ASK FOR 'MUPPETS'. THESE ARE BRIGHT FLUORESCENT AND GLITTER FISHING LURES WHICH LOOK GREAT IN BUBBLE TUBES. ALSO TRY AN AQUATIC SUPPLIER WHO WILL HAVE SOME GREAT DECOR FOR FISH TANKS LIKE THE DIVER PICTURED RIGHT.

USE COLOUR BOOKS LIKE DR SEUSS, 'MY MANY COLOURED DAYS', OR 'ANNA'S MULTI COLOURED GLASSES'. PLAY COLOUR MATCHING GAMES USING COLOUR CARDS OR OBJECTS IN THE ROOM TO MATCH THE COLOURS IN THE TUBE.

IF YOU ARE BUYING A BUBBLE TUBE, GET ONE WHICH HAS EXTERNAL SWITCHES TO CONTROL THE COLOUR. MAKE SURE WHEELCHAIR USERS CAN GET TO THE BUBBLE TUBE WITHOUT A HOIST! PADDED BASES LOOK GOOD BUT SOMETIMES RESTRICT ACCESS.

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MUPPETS AND DIVERS



DIRTY WATER!



CHANGE IT EVERY 6 WEEKS

GET A PUMP

### ACTIVE OR SWITCHABLE BUBBLE TUBES



EXTERNAL SWITCHES

### EASY ACCESS TUBE



BUBBLE TUBE SYMBOL

