



Piñatas

Ages 1 year to 2 years

Objective: The child shows reactions to a mobile piñata and uses fine and gross-motor skills to swing at it.

Materials needed:

Twist tie or rubber band

Brown paper bag

Soft gummies (or some sort of "treat-like" item to stuff inside the bag if you do not prefer these.

You can get these at most grocery stores in the baby aisle)

Small child-size bat (or) long wooden spoon

String and a coat-hanger

Procedures:

1. Stuff the brown paper bag with the items before hand. If willing, your child can help you put the items in the bag.
2. Tie it with a twist tie or rubber band.
3. Tie one end of the string on the coat-hanger



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and the other to the end of the bag that's tied up.

4. Hang from a low pole or door handle.

5. Model to your child what it is you want them to do using your hand/arm. Swat at the bag.

6. Now taking the bat or wooden spoon, swat at the bag again.

7. Let your child have a go at it now! First, see if they use their hands or arms. Then, give them the bat or spoon to use. If needed, hold it with them and help them to swing at it.

8. Put in little tears or holes in the bag so that it will break open when hit, and they can get the treats inside once they fall out! Fun game, Spanish style!

Milestones to meet:

The child tries to and shows willingness to use their fine and gross-motor skills to swing at an object.

Evaluation:

Did this lesson work for your child? Why or why not?