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earlySTEM™ My First Color Wands – Set of 6

Here's What You Get!

- 2 Cyan Color Wands
- 2 Magenta Color Wands
- 2 Yellow Color Wands
- Teacher's Activity Guide

Introduction

One of the first skills a child learns is how to classify and sort items according to similar or different attributes. Among the earliest classifying tasks a toddler develops comes when parents or caregivers talk about recognizing and identifying colors. In most settings, colors will surround the toddler as she explores the world around her. Although a toddler does not need to be concerned with which colors are primary and which are secondary, those two groupings of colors are an ideal place to begin and can be easily recognizable to young children.

This kit includes two sets of three wands, each set has cyan, magenta and yellow translucent color lenses. With these three colors children learn primary colors and when the wands are overlapped can learn secondary colors. You can even double-up two magenta wands to make a more intense view of the world!

Use My First Color Wands to address these Head Start Early Childhood Learning Outcomes:

- Child maintains focus and sustains attention with support.
- Child demonstrates emerging initiative in interactions, experiences, and explorations.
- Child shows interest in and curiosity about objects, materials, or events.
- Child uses creativity to increase understanding and learning.
- Child appropriately handles and takes care of classroom materials.
- Child uses increasingly complex language in conversations with others.
- Child actively explores people and objects to understand self, others, and objects.
- · Child learns to use a variety of strategies in solving problems.
- · Child uses spatial awareness to understand objects and their movement in space.
- Child uses matching and sorting of objects or people to understand similar and different characteristics.
- Child adjusts reach and grasp to use tools.

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Uses for My First Color Wands:

- Use the Color Wands to help the child begin to recognize different colors and identify each one.
- Use the Color Wands to show the toddler what happens when you put two different primary Color Wands together to create a new color. Use the wand combination to teach the child the names of the secondary colors.
- Have the child hold a Color Wand and try to find other objects or materials that are the same color.
- While working with the wand, use descriptive words to add to the child's vocabulary (e.g., color, green, bright, grass, leaves, etc.).

- Show the toddler how the world around him changes when he looks at some thing while holding a wand to his eyes.
 Try the same activity with another color.
- Have the child look at items on a light table or LED panel while looking through a Color Wand.
- Stacking two primary Color Wands on a light panel/table will intensify the secondary color created for an even easier identification.
- Leave the Color Wands in a science learning center to encourage the children to observe items through different colors.

