



FINE MOTOR TOYS

Walking Elephant

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Fine Motor Toys

This product series has been created for preschoolers and elementary school children. Its main task is to build kids' educational skills through play. Here you will find fine motor skill game ideas which help you to create your own games or modify them for your child's needs.



Dragon chopstick helper



Witty-Eating Spoon



Moonfish Pencil Grips
left-handed



Moonfish Pencil Grips
right-hander



Walking Elephant



Walking Ostrich

Walking Elephant & Walking Ostrich

Draw the paths and roads. Help the walking animal to visit their friends who live in different houses along the way.

You can create a town using any construction set.

Walking Ostrich or Walking Elephant will go around town along the paths and bridges.



Walking in the forest

Place wooden trees and mushrooms along the paths and roads.
Help the walking animal get through the forest.



Walking on stones

Create a stone road and take a walk over them.



Cross the river jumping from stone to stone

Randomly draw color dots with finger paint or with a brush. These are the stones that the walking ostrich must step on to reach the other side of the river without falling in the water.

Complicate the task by jumping only across “stones” of a specific color.



Color paths

Created roads by placing colored electrical tape all over the table, criss-crossing them back and forth. Guide the Walking Ostrich or Walking Elephant across the roads. Then peel the tape off the table.

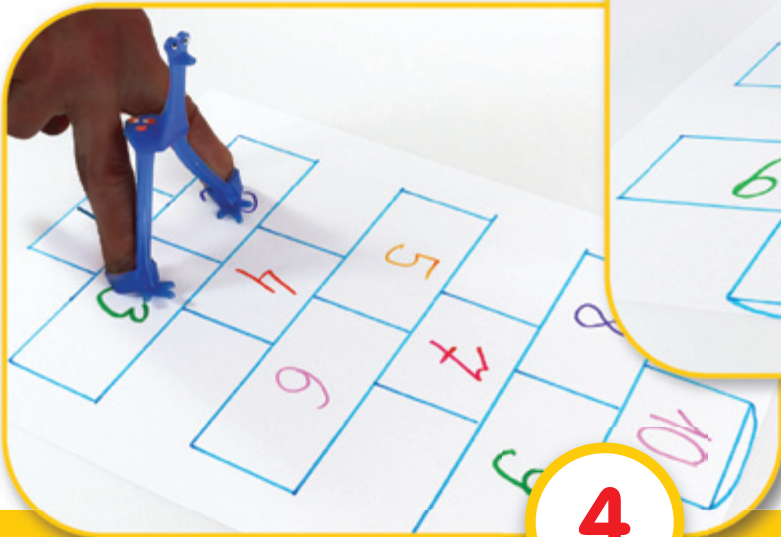


Football



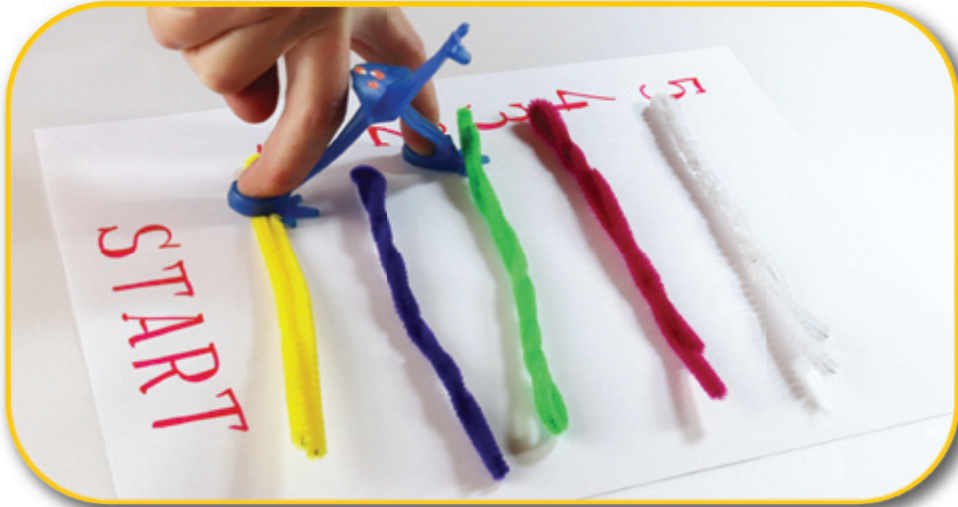
Hopscotch

The Walking Ostrich and Walking Elephant play hopscotch. They need to put all their legs on one square.



Who is taking a bigger step?

The Walking Ostrich and Walking Elephant compete to see who can take the bigger step.



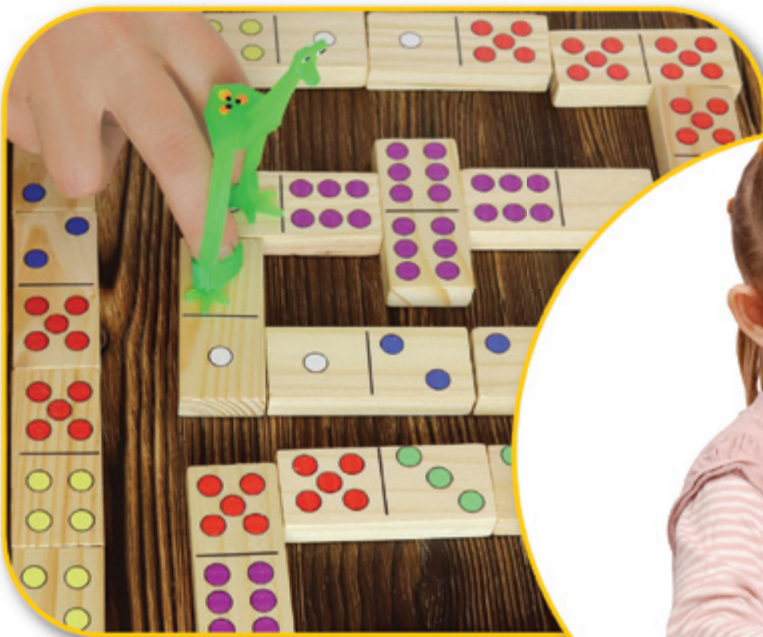
Up and down the stairs



Bridges

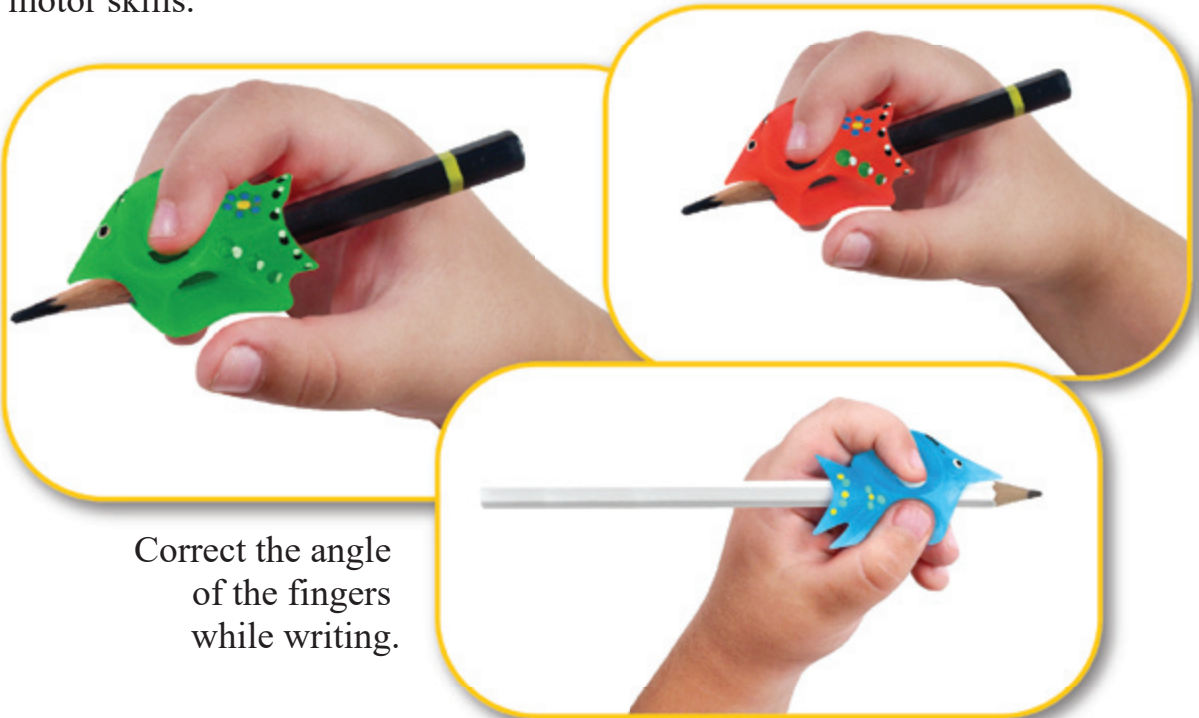


Dominoes road



MoonFish Pencil grips

We have 3 designs of pencil grips: 2 for the right hand (small and bigger sizes) and 1 left-hand grip (big size). We suggest several pre-writing exercises, which can help to encourage the correct grip before using a grip. If the correct tripod pen or pencil grip (the ability to pinch a pencil with the index finger and thumb with the middle finger rested on it) is easy for your kids, we recommend using our grips. They are the only pencil grips that correct the angle of the fingers while writing. Most pencil grips facilitate holding a pen without correcting the angles of the fingers. The maximum benefits will be achieved by children with initial poor fine motor skills.



How to hold it correctly:



Left handers often need special attention to encourage them to have the correct “tripod” grasp and to hold the pencil about 1 to 1.5 inches above the tip of the pencil. This gives them the ability to see their writing and to avoid hooking their wrist.

The correct position is a bit more challenging for left-handed children, so using the left-handed pencil grip might be essential.

Lefties need to hold the pen 1.5” above the tip to see what they’re writing. This pencil grip keeps their fingers from slipping.



For left-handers keeps hands from slipping so child can see what they’re writing.



A tripod hold results in the most accurate and comfortable writing

Pre-writing exercises



Gymnast in a circus

Hold the pen or pencil with the three correct fingers (thumb, index finger and middle finger), try to twirl it around like a gymnast in the circus or the blades of a helicopter.

Monkey on the log

Hold the pen or pencil with the three correct fingers (thumb, index finger and middle finger), and wriggle/slide it so that the top of the pen/pencil is gripped and then gradually the bottom. Repeat and move it back and forth.



Pom pom writing

Place a pom pom or another small item in between the last two fingers (ring finger and pinky) and the palm. This will force them to keep those extra fingers under and out of the way while they hold the pencil.



Tumble

Pick up the pencil the top of the pen/pencil with the thumb and index finger. With the other hand move the bottom back and forth as far as it will go like a lever. Then place in the correct writing position.



The correct slant of the pen and the correct finger position during writing are very important for future learning.

The pencil grip gives lefties the ability to see their writing and to avoid hooking their wrist.



2 months
to develop
the correct grip
for a lifetime

Witty-Eating Spoon

Pulling treasures from water

Spoon holder may help



Fruits shop



Candy Sorting



Spooning Marbles



Fishing

We use our Moon Fish pencil grips.
You can use any plastic floating fish or sea animals.

Music sensory bins

Use buttons, beads, mosaic tiles, foam, plastic or metal to create sensory noise bins. The sound will depend on what you put in the bin. Use a spoon to fill it.
We used Sudoku and mosaic tiles.



Dragon chopstick helper



Fine motor tubes

Cut plastic pipes or drinking straws of different color.

Mix them up.

Sort them by color with the chopstick dragon or use as mosaic details.

Save the insects



Save the insects or grab the spiders through the web using the Dragon chopstick helper.

Pom Pom sorting

Sort pom poms by color, or color and size using the Dragon chopstick helper.





Pom pom rainbow

Create a color rainbow with the pom poms. Grab the pom poms with the Dragon Chopstick helper, like a tweezers.

Catch the boats

With the chopstick helper, catch a boat made from Play-Doh (floating) or bottle caps.



Draw parallel lines



Replace chopsticks with colored pencils and attempt to draw parallel lines. Use only soft pencils (that draw a thick line). After creating a complex scribble, you can color inside each cell with a different color. The neighboring cell must have a different color. The result is a beautiful fractal picture.



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fine motor skills games!**



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