

NAME OF THE TOY: **Finger Gym, The Lacing Toy**

MATERIAL USED: **Pastel sheet/old cartons/fruit baskets, scissors, punching machine, lace.**

AGE GROUP FOR PLAYING: **3- 5 years**

AGE GROUP FOR CREATING: **3 years and above**

TIME OF PREPARATION: **20 minutes**

CONCEPT/ SKILLS MAPPED (PEDAGOGY): **This toy helps the child to develop fine motor skills, bilateral coordination, motor planning and visual perceptual skills.**



PROCEDURE (HOW THE TOY CAN BE MADE):

1. Draw any picture on the old carton (as the one used in the video)
2. Once the picture is drawn, cut it using the scissors.
3. Punch holes along with the border of the cut out leaving an inch gap between the holes.
4. Get set go... The toy is now ready to lace.
5. Any plastic basket can also be used.

HOW THE TOY CAN BE USED:

Now when the toy is ready, hold the lace using thumb, index finger and middle finger. It's time to show your creativity by lacing the toy in different ways. Initially the child will lace it in a straight line. After doing so for few times the lacing can be done in crisscross way too. Let the children use their imagination to make different pattern from simple to complex.

HOW THIS TOY IS IMPORTANT IN LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILD: **This activity will help children to enhance their fine motor skills and eye hand coordination. It also helps in increasing the attention span of children by engaging them in an interesting way.**

ADAPTABILITY FOR SPECIALLY ABLED: **This toy can be played by all, including specially abled children.**

COST: **Low-cost toy.**

