#### EASY WATER PLAY ACTIVITY IDEAS



Children love playing with water and it's a great learning experience. Try one of these simple **easy water play activities**. Maybe you couilod do one each week or try one every day!

#### **Doll Washing**

A little bit of water, a doll, and a face washer or sponge is all you need. You can do this in a tub, in the bath, or in the sink. You can add to the fun by including some soap or bubble bath, and try adding an old toothbrush for dolly too.



# Washing the Dishes.

This can be as easy as a little soapy water in the bottom of the <u>kitchen sink</u>, a dish brush, and some non breakable items to wash (spoons are good). Or you could set this up in a water table, or a tub, with plastic plates, cups and cutlery and a dish rack and tea towel on the table to dry the dishes once they are washed.



## Washing Clothes.

A little bit of water in the bottom of a tub and some small items to wash – face washers and socks work well for this. You could add to the fun by setting it up outside and putting a clothes airer and some pegs next to it to hang out the wet clothes.



## **Ocean Small World**

Setting up some ocean themed water play can be as simple as adding some plastic sea creatures to the water table or bath. You can get more elaborate by adding extras such as sand on the bottom, some rocks, and 'seaweed' made from leaves or cellophane. Another fun twist on this idea is to add plastic sieves or small aquarium nets to scoop out and catch the fish.



## Scooping, Mixing and Pouring.

Find a collection of cups and bowls of all sizes, add spoons, and scoops, and kitchen measuring cups, or anything you can scoop, pour, and mix the water with. You don't even need a tub for this one, just set out the bowls on a table covered with a towel and help your child mix and pour the water. For added fun add a big bowl with a little water and a big squirt of hand soap and a kitchen whisk to make bubbly foam.

