

# Sorting Sea Shells

**Age: 2 years and up**

## What's needed

Sea shells or shell-shaped pasta (dyed)  
If using pasta, you will need food coloring, rubbing alcohol, plastic bags, paper towels



## What to do

1. Use sea shells from a visit to a beach, or make some by coloring shell shaped pasta (put food coloring and a teaspoon of rubbing alcohol in a plastic bag, add pasta, shake to color, and allow to dry on paper towels).
2. Match and sort by colors, shapes, size, or markings.
3. Children can also draw on dry pasta shells to add markings or color.

## What children will learn

Fine motor skills; matching; sorting

