

Easi-Torchies: Ways to use

6 Easi-Torchies, 6 wrist straps and 6 head straps in the Easi-range colours perfect for hands-free exploration. Easy to charge with 2 USB chargers able to charge 3 Easi-Torchies at the same time. Easy switch between LED colours white, red, green and blue that create a bright crisp light. Waterproof properties make them ideal for many indoor and outdoor adventures. Here are a few ideas for ways you can use them.

Independence- Children can use the button to switch on the torchie and move between the different colours independently. Use them in tidy up sessions to find toys that have gone missing during play. Make it a fun game of discovering 'the place where the lost things go'. The torchies are great for retrieving items from under the reading sofa or behind the dressing up trolley.

Water- One of the beauties of the Easi-Torchies is that they can be used in water and are perfect for glow in the dark water play. The water tray can become different environments with the change of the colours, creating different effects. You could set up an underwater world filled with small world fish and sea creatures, shells and seaweed and use the torchies to discover the living things in the water, name them and become ocean explorers. Numbers, letters and shapes can also be put in the water tray to be found.

Role-Play- The torchies can become a prop for storytelling and adventures. The children will enjoy being superheroes with the torchies or secret agents. Play a game of flashlight I-Spy, getting the children to find specific items. Use in different role-play areas to create atmosphere or invent a high energy game of catch the light where the children chase and catch the light beams on the walls or floor as part of their play.

Small World Play- Put under cones or alongside metallics etc to light up small world play and encourage curiosity. The torchies can illuminate details and focus attention. Examples could be a forest scene using bark, leaves, logs with small world animals such as owls, foxes, badgers hidden. Or space exploration using a cardboard box lined with black paper with glow in the dark stars, astronaut figures, rocket ship. Use the torchies to explore and find the hidden treasures.

Outside- Attach to wrist or head for outdoor exploring and make close observations of things all around or use them to light the way to show the path. Use on a forest walk or a nature colour hunt. Place amongst the plants etc to light up details that might otherwise get missed and help children to identify and name living things.

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Investigating and Exploring- Create explorer baskets or boxes with a range of materials to shine the torchies through such as voiles, netting, cellophane, blocks, colour paddles and household objects. Can the children identify and sort into transparent, opaque and translucent? Play hide and seek to find shiny objects hidden around the setting. Wear the torchies when constructing with coloured transparent blocks or magnetic tiles to create a magical experience with the light.

Shadows and puppets- Use the torchies to create different shapes and shadows on a wall or ceiling and make shadow puppets with your hands. Create shadow puppets as part of storytelling. Place different objects in front of the lights to make coloured shadows. Explore how light interacts with objects and how shadows change based on distance and angle.

Colour Mixing- Great for colour mixing exploration. Use 2/3 torchies to explore how light colours blend together. Create different colours and patterns and see the effects on a wall, ceiling, or in the water tray. Use the colour torchies for a colour-coded scavenger hunt- can you find the red gem using the red light?

Dark Dens and White Dens- Use the torchies to create a magical den of lights. Let the children play around with the colours and create patterns on the walls and ceiling. Get them to make their own constellations poking holes in black card and securing it over the torchie to see the effects. Have a dark den treasure hunt to find hidden objects.

Reading and Writing- Create a cosy reading den and use the torchies to share favourite books or to tell bedtime stories to teddies. Use during creative writing sessions to create an atmosphere. Maybe the children will turn the torchies to blue if writing about a space adventure or red if writing about a volcanic eruption. Retell a class story using the lights and use the colours to show how characters are feeling.

We hope you enjoy using the Easi-Torchies. If you have any fun ideas for using them, please share with us, we'd love to hear from you.

Make sure you teach the children to use the torchies correctly and remind them to not look directly at the light. Also, when they have been used in water, show them how to gently wipe them dry and leave in a safe place to dry out completely before the next use.