

7+ Quick

SENSORY BIN IDEAS

**to Get You Started
NOW!**

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Nature Sensory Bin Idea Material Ideas:



- Container
- Bird Seed
- Moss
- Faux Bird Feathers
- Faux Plants (Dollar Tree)
- Sticks
- Stones / Pebbles
- Wood Slices
- Acorns
- Pinecones
- Seed Pods
- Seashells
- Sand
- Craft Moss
- Faux Birds (Dollar Tree)
- Small Wicker Baskets
- Glass Beads

Wetlands Water Play Sensory Bin:



- Container
- Water
- Moss
- Rocks
- Water beads
- Animal Toys (frogs, snakes, etc.)
- Scoops / cups
- Faux grass
- Acorns
- Pinecones
- Seed Pods
- Seashells
- Sand
- Craft Moss
- Faux Birds (Dollar Tree)
- Ice
- Dirt / sand
- Food coloring
- Craft foam (for lily pads)

Pirate Play Sensory Bin:



- Black beans
- Gold coins
- Gems
- Eye patches
- Glass beads
- Ring pops
- Scoops / cups
- Animal toys (spiders, rats, etc.)
- Skulls
- Spider web

Mermaid & Beach Sensory Bins:



- Craft Sand (Purple)
- Seashells (Dollar Tree)
- Glass Beads (Dollar Tree) or Water Beads
- Mermaid toys
- Tulle
- Water



Change the sand colors & glass bead colors for a beach sensory bin! Add crab & ocean toys!

Squirrel & Nuts Fall Sensory Bin:



- Wooden Tray or Wicker Basket
- Faux Grass Turf
- Faux Acorns
- Leaves
- Sticks / Twigs
- Squirrel toys or figurines
- Moss

Spider Web Science Sensory Bin:



- Container
- White yarn
- Faux spiders
- Faux spider web
- 3 Craft Sticks
- Glue
- White Acrylic Paint

Glue 3 craft sticks in a star shape and paint white. Kids can then weave the yarn around the craft sticks to create a spider web!

Super Soft Snowy Sensory Bin:



- Cotton Balls
- Snowflake and/or blue confetti or glitter
- Faux Christmas trees
- Penguin toys
- Snowmen toys
- White craft foam balls (used in slime kits)

TIP – We made our penguins and snowmen from wine corks. Paint them, add felt, googly eyes and pipe cleaners!

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BONUS! Where to Store those Sensory Bins?



I'm all about staying organized and making things easily accessible for my kids! The [Dollar Tree](#) is the best place I've found for wide storage bins WITH lids.

I buy a lot of the rectangle storage containers you see in this post as well as large square containers for water play. Above is our [learning colors sensory bin collection](#)!

You can also store the contents of each themed sensory bin in a [gallon size ziploc bag](#) and just pour it inside of a storage container at the time you are playing if you don't want to store tons of plastic containers stacked up.