

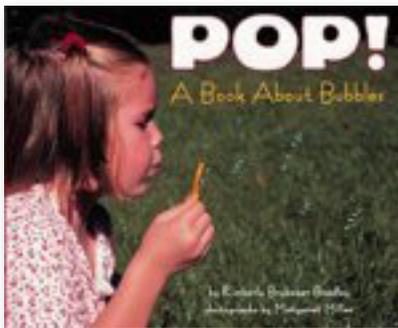
Bubble chase

Let's play and talk together

- ❖ Blow some bubbles and invite your child to chase them.
- ❖ Invite your child to pop the bubbles using different actions, e.g. clapping hands, a karate chop.
- ❖ Try to catch the bubbles using different body parts, e.g. knees, elbows, fingers.
- ❖ Try to catch some bubbles without breaking them.



A good read-together book



Pop! A Book About Bubbles
by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

You will need some bubble soap and a bubble wand or a pipe cleaner shaped into a wand.

This activity is good for developing spatial awareness, eye-hand coordination, and using words to describe shape, size, colour and movement.

Hints for success

- ❖ Talk about the bubbles as you play. Use words to describe how they move, e.g., high, low, fast, slow, floating.
- ❖ Take turns being the bubble blower and the bubble chaser.



Ways to say it

More ideas for Bubble chase

Try this way

- ❖ Sing **Pop Goes the Weasel** as you play.
- ❖ Do an experiment to see how the bubbles change when you blow different ways, e.g. hard, soft, steadily, in puffs. Encourage the children to talk about what they see and try to explain what happens.
- ❖ Read the book **Pop! A Book about Bubbles** to learn more ways to play with bubbles.

Let's make—Bubble recipe

What you need:

- 2.5 L (10 cups) of water
- 250 ml (1 cup) of soap detergent
- 30 ml (2 tablespoons) glycerine (from the pharmacy)

How to:

1. Put water in a pail or bucket and add the detergent and glycerine.
2. Stir slowly to avoid bubbling.
3. For best results let the mixture sit overnight.

Let's make—Bubble wands

- For a yogurt lid bubble wand, you will need a plastic lid, a thumb tack and a wooden chopstick. Cut the centre out of the plastic lid and tack it to the wooden chopstick.
- For a fly swatter bubble wand, you will need a plastic fly swatter. Dip the fly swatter into a plate of bubble mix and wave it around for lots of tiny bubbles.
- For a pipe cleaner bubble wand, you will need a pipe cleaner. Shape it into a circle, with an end to hold on to.



Pop Goes the Weasel

All around the cobbler's bench
The monkey chased the weasel.
The monkey thought 'twas all in fun—
Pop! Goes the weasel.

Johnny has the whooping cough,
Mary has the measles.
That's the way the money goes—
Pop! Goes the weasel.

A penny for a spool of thread
A penny for a needle.
That's the way the money goes—
Pop! Goes the weasel.

All around the mulberry bush,
The monkey chased the weasel.
That's the way the money goes—
Pop! Goes the weasel.

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