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#### Activity Title: Washing Vehicles

Learning Intention:	Activity Overview:
<ul> <li>In pretend play, imitates everyday actions.</li> </ul>	Water play activity: Your child will
Links to EYFS:	use a variety of cleaning materials
Understanding the world: People and communities: 22-36 months	to wash their toy vehicles.
Resources:	Key vocabulary:
<ul> <li>Plastic container or bathtub, Cars plastic or metal, Water, Soap, washing up liquid or shower gel, Sponges and Brushes of different shapes and sizes.</li> </ul>	Car, clean, wash, brush, scrub, bubbles, soap, smell, soft, hard, dirty, sponge, water, cold, water, feel.

## **ACTIVITY IMPLEMENTATION (including key question)**

### Introduction:

- Discuss where you would take your car when you want to have it washed.
- What equipment do you need to wash a car?
- Take a plastic container and fill it ¼ of the way up with water. This activity could also be done during bath time.
- Place inside some of your child's toy cars. These can be metal or plastic.
- Next to the plastic container, place a variety of cleaning resources such as sponges and brushes.
- Add some bubble bath to the water. What does it smell like? Why does bubble bath help?

# Main Activity:

- Allow your child to use the cleaning resources to experiment whilst cleaning the cars in the plastic container.
- You could add a small blob of paint onto the cars, pretending it is dirt. Can your child scrub the dirt off the cars?
- Think about the different sizes of the cleaning resources. You may want to use an old toothbrush to clean he small wheels and a larger brush such as a nail brush or washing up brush to clean the top of the cars.

# **Activity review**

- Take the cars out of the water and dry them using a towel.
- How clean do they look? Which car looks the cleanest? Is there any dirt (Paint) left on any of the cars? What was your favourite piece of equipment to clean the car with?
- This activity could be repeated in the garden using a large plastic car, as shown in the picture. Will you need to use smaller or bigger sponges and brushes?

Additional ways to support your child:	Extension:
<ul> <li>Support your child throughout this activity.</li> <li>Place one car in the water at the time for your child to focus on cleaning only one car.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Take your child to the car wash with you the next time you go. Discuss what the people cleaning the car are using and their job.</li> <li>Your child can help Mummy/Daddy to clean their family car at home.</li> </ul>



