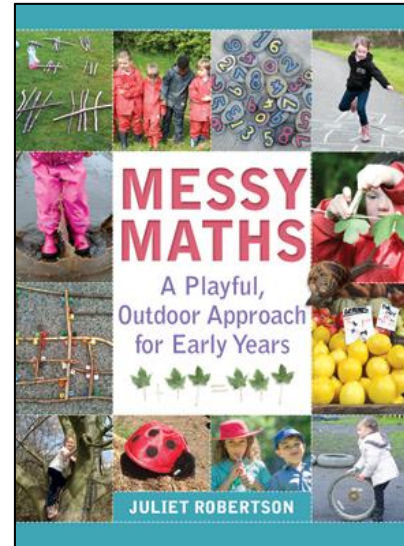


Messy Maths: A Playful, Outdoor Approach for Early Years

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Summary

In *Messy Maths: A Playful, Outdoor Approach for Early Years*, Juliet Robertson offers a rich resource of ideas that will inspire you to tap into the endless supply of patterns, textures, colours and quantities of the outdoors and deepen children's understanding of maths through hands-on experience.

Messy Maths reimagines the outdoor space through a mathematical lens - providing a treasure trove of suggestions that will empower you to blend outdoor learning into your teaching practice. It is not a "how to" guide, but rather an easy-to-use reference book replete with ready-to-use games and open-ended ideas designed to help children become confident and skilled in thinking about, using and exploring abstract mathematical concepts as they play outside.

Topics covered include: general advice; exploring numbers; number functions and fractions; money; measurement; time; pattern; shape and symmetry; position, direction and movement; data handling; routines; and the mathematical garden.

Messy Maths is suitable for early years educators (of ages 3-6) who want to shake up their usual classroom practice and make the most of any outdoor space - whether this be a kindergarten, playgroup, child-minder's back garden or a nature kindergarten - as a context for maths.

Other Resources

- *Dirty Teaching: A Beginner's Guide to Learning Outdoors* (CRH6463)