



## Learning Goals

Practice sorting beads into groups based on their color, size and shape; explore making patterns with beads.



## What You'll Need

- Assorted crafting beads
- 2 pipe cleaners or 2 10-inch pieces of string
- Tape or glue
- Ribbons, feathers, toy gems

## Steps

- 1. Pick a bead!** From the pile of beads, pick one. Think together: Can you find another bead that is the same? How do you know they are the same? Now, let's find one that is different.
- 2. Sort the beads!** Sort the beads into groups based on color, size or shape. Talk about how the beads are alike or not.
- 3. Make a bracelet!** Put the beads on a piece of string or pipe cleaner. See if you can make a pattern with the beads. Tie the ends together.
- 4. Make a wand!** Put the beads on a pipe cleaner. Try making a fun pattern! Make a special tip.

## Watch Video



## Talk Together

- Which bead is exactly like this one?
- How are the beads different? Is there anything about them that is also the same?

## Book Suggestion

***Sam Sorts,***  
by Marthe Jocelyn

## Online Game

**The Cat in the Hat  
Knows a Lot About  
That: Sorta-Ma-Gogo**

[pbskids.org/catinthehat/  
games/sorta-ma-gogo](https://pbskids.org/catinthehat/games/sorta-ma-gogo)