

# Honey Bee Tree



As well as developing two-handed play this game gives the helper hand practice in:

*Thumb/finger grasping  
Whole hand grasping  
Holding  
Reaching  
Releasing*

## Getting started:

At the beginning you will need to assemble the game, the parts slot together.



The leaf sticks should be inserted in the little holes at the side and pushed through a hole on the other side.



This can be a bit fiddly – you may want to set the game up to this stage before your child plays.



When all the leaf sticks are in place, ask your child to pour in the bees, holding the honey hive stable with one hand, like in the picture on the left.



In this game, your child should remove one leaf stick at a time.

He/she will need to hold the tree/hive steady with one hand and grasp the leaf with the other. The idea is to remove as many sticks as possible without letting any bees drop.

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After each go, your child should turn the tree around so that the opening lines up with the next space on the base.

He/she will need to stabilise the base with one hand and turn the tree with the other.

Encourage your child to use each hand to select the leaf sticks.

He/she could switch after each turn or use one hand for the lighter colour leaf sticks and the other for the darker colour.



At the end, your child can count how many bees are in each section of the base. He/she can also sort the leaf sticks according to colour, making one pile for lighter green and another for darker green.



We hope your child has lots of fun with this game!

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