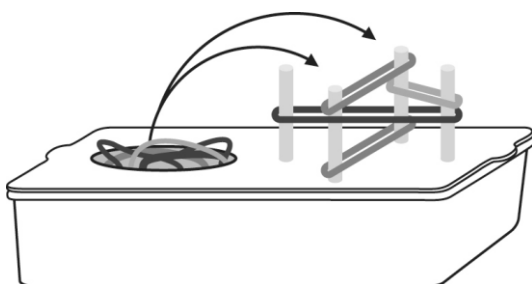


TASK 31 – STRETCH



Stretch encourages the coordinated use of two hands to be successful. Stretching the rubber bands over the preset dowels, the activity is finished when all of the rubber bands in the container have been used or the student has met the goal initiated by the teacher.

As the student gets used to stretching the bands between the dowels, it is suggested that they first create their own random patterns. For some students it may be necessary to begin with just two dowels, adding a third and fourth dowel as the student is successful.

When the student is comfortable stretching the bands between the dowels, in a teaching session, the teacher, using a dry erase marker, can draw a simple loop pattern around two dowels for the student to follow. With success, include additional dowels and create new patterns using both colors. Red and black dry erase markers are included and will easily wipe off the lid.

The four suggested patterns found on this page can be downloaded and used once the student is successful with those drawn directly on the lid. Referencing visual instructions is a valuable skill that opens doors to many other learning possibilities. Be creative. Enjoy!

ASSEMBLY: The dowels are meant to fit tightly into the lid. It may be necessary to put the lid on the box first and then with a handkerchief in your palm press the dowel into the hole, turning it until it hits the base.

CONTENTS:

- (1) Shoebox Lid,
- (1) Shoebox Base
- (1) 8 oz. Container
- (12) 6 each black and red Rubber Bands,
- (4) 4 x ½ inch Dowels
- (2) 1 each Black and Red dry-erase Markers

