

LOOSE PARTS Master Checklist

The 6 Categories
of Loose Parts

Important

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS!

When picking loose parts for your classroom – it is important to consider what is age appropriate. There are loose parts that would not be safe for children under three years of age. Be aware of choking hazards.

Nature Loose Parts

__Pinecones —

__Sea shells —

__Acorns —

__Pods —

__Sticks/Twigs/Logs —

__Peach Pits —

__Leaves —

__Feathers

__Squash

__Sweet Gum Balls

__Anise Stars

__Cinnamon Sticks

__Nutmeg

Metal Loose Parts

__washers and bolts

__forks and spoons

__links

__metal lids

__thimbles

__sliver beads

__soda can tabs

__thread spools

__door knobs

__keys

__license plates

__discs

__hair clips

__bottle caps

__candle sticks

__tubing

__metal funnels

__piping

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Wooden Loose Parts

__wood cookies

__discs

__wood floor tiles

__candle sticks

__napkin rings

__wood scraps

__wood pegs

__scabble pieces

__spools

__wood frames

__chair legs

__beads

__golf tees

__wood people

__rings

__game pieces

__curtain rings

__embroidery rings

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Plastic Loose Parts

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| __pony beads | __champagne corks |
| __poker chips | __pudding cups |
| __buttons | __toy wheels |
| __CDs | __twist ties |
| __water bottle caps | __film spools |
| __bubble wrap | __bracelets |
| __marker caps | __medicine bottles |
| __plastic beads | — |
| __counters _ | — |
| _play dough lids | — |
| __straws | — |
| __bread tags | — |
| __curlers | — |
| __spools | |
| __cd cases | |
| __transparency | |

Glass & Ceramic Loose Parts

- __small tiles
- __cabinet door knobs
- __small mirror discs
- __sea glass
- __glass vase beads
- __drawer knobs
- __glass/ceramic balls
- __tiny bottles
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Assorted Loose Parts

- __corks
- __photo slides
- __fabric pieces
- __cardboard tubing
- __cut-up strips of old books
- __ribbon pieces
- __garage sale find - old photos
- __cut-up maps
- __rubber bands
- __counter samples
- __cut-up letters from magazines
- __ribbon spools
- __screen door mesh cup into pieces
- __paint chips
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