

Sand and shaving cream foam

What you need

- 3 cups clean sand (depending on what you have)
- 1 tin of inexpensive shaving cream

What to do

1. Place sand into a plastic bowl or bucket
2. Add a few squirts of shaving cream and mix together with hands.
3. Add a more shaving cream to get to the desired consistency. It will look and feel like foam.
4. Tip onto a plastic tray, shallow plastic storage box or large baking tray and use outside as it can get messy

Note: Do not use if your child has skin sensitivities

The foaminess of the dough does not last as the shaving cream evaporates. Either add more shaving cream or use as moulding sand with little containers to tiny sandcastles.

Ideas to try

- Add some little plastic diggers and tip trucks for construction site play.
- Talk about the texture of this mix, children love to explore the foamy and gritty texture.
- Add shells, plastic scoops, lids, pebbles and glass beads, and plastic figures.
- The sand can be left to dry out when finished and reused for other play.
- Hide objects in the foam for children to find.
- Draw and write in the foam and take some photos of your child's play.

