

# What's in the Bag?

**Target age group:** Preschool through second grade, small group of children with autism

**Objective:** To reinforce the skill of asking appropriate questions.

**Materials needed:**

- Opaque fabric bag
- 10 small, easily-identifiable objects, such as a block, a pencil, a paperclip, etc.

**Instructional strategy:**

1. Start by discussing the reasons people ask questions, such as maintaining a conversation or gathering information.
2. Explain that you are going to play a guessing game with the class.
3. Place an object in the bag and tie it closed. Pass the bag around, allowing each child to feel the object through the fabric.
4. After everyone has had a turn, have the children ask for information or guess the contents of the bag by asking questions.
5. Repeat with another object.

**Accommodations for nonverbal children:**

Have pictures of all the items in the bag and require the child to tap you to gain your attention, then give you the picture representing the object.