

Materials:

Ball (make sure it is a size that the child can easily grasp) Hook and loop fasteners (e.g., Velcro) Pipe cleaner Book

Directions:

1. Apply either the scratchy or soft side of the hook and loop fastener to a ball (labeled A in picture 1). Attach opposite side to the pages of a book (labeled B in pictures 1 & 2).

2. If using a wiffle ball (shown above) insert the ends of each side of a pipe cleaner into holes on opposite sides of the ball (labeled C in picture 1). Secure pipe cleaner to the ball so that it can be used as a strap for the child's hand.

3. To use, place ball in child's hand and secure with strap. Place hook and loop fastener on ball to hook and loop fastener on book to turn pages (as shown in picture 2).

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