

## Health & Safety Guidance for using Museum sensory packs

We have a selection of sensory resources to support learners with additional needs, during a visit to the museum.

Resources include sound cancelling headphones, fidget toys and other sensory tools. A list of the learning resources provided in the packs is listed overleaf.



### Guidance Information

- This is not a risk assessment.
- This is guidance for anyone supporting learners with additional needs to use any of the items in our sensory boxes.
- All items are sourced from reputable education suppliers that carefully select and test products according to the appropriate safety standards.
- Learners must be closely supervised using this equipment - according to their individual needs.

## Resource details

**Please note - not all items will be in every pack.**

### **Push Pop - fidget ball**

- Supports learners with restlessness or require sensory stimulation. Can help focus attention.
- Age suitability: 3Years +



### **Children's Sunglasses**

- Reduces light for those with light sensitivity.
- Adult supervision is recommended.
- Material: PC resin.



### **Wooden magnifying glass**

- Used to discover the finer details and textures within the museum.
- Age suitability: 12 Months +
- Plastic lens



### **LED Rubber Torch**

- Good for focussing on museum collections.
- Not to be used in the Art Galleries.
- Requires adult supervision as contains batteries - which could be a choking hazard.
- Respect other visitors.



### **Push Pop - fidget toy**

- Supports learners with restlessness or require sensory stimulation. Can help focus attention. Made from silicon.



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### Children's Ear Defenders

- Helps reduce noise levels.
- Designed to fit any child aged from 6 months to 16 years, and also fits small adults.
- Conforms to EN352-1:2002.



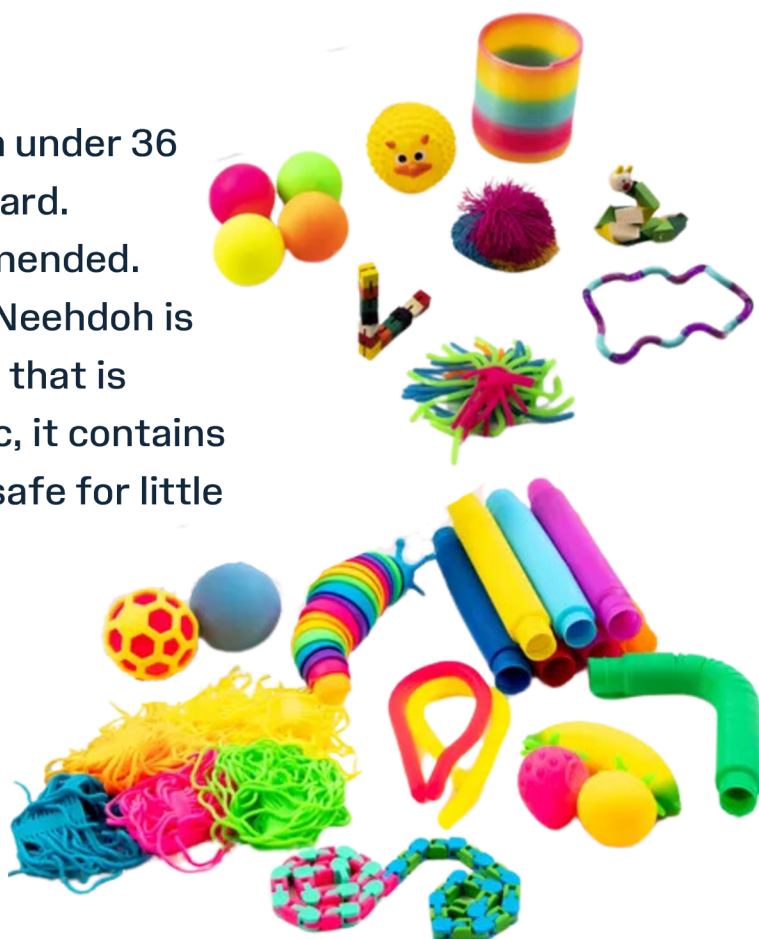
### Weighted caterpillar (2.5kg)

Aids in achieving a sense of calmness by alleviating anxiety and facilitating smooth transitions between activities.



### Fidget kit assortment

- Perfect for relieving stress, hand exercising, motor control and grip. Ideal for calming down or thinking.
- Age Recommended: from 5 years
- Warning: Not suitable for children under 36 months. Small parts. Choking hazard.
- Close adult supervision is recommended.
- Squishy items contain Neehdoh. Neehdoh is made from a PVA glue compound that is hypoallergenic, safe and non-toxic, it contains no BPA, phthalates or latex so is safe for little fingers to play with.



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### **Sand Timer (10 minute)**

- Age Recommended: 3 +
- Provides a visual, practical and concrete representation of time.
- Use as a calming tool or a time out resource - giving children 10 minutes to reflect and reset.



### **Soft Toys**

- Soft toys can provide a source of comfort and aid some learners with imagination and exploration.

