

# The 2-stud Bricks

Basic  
braille

Level

1

Players

1

Duration

10  
min

Tags

Bi-manual  
Classification  
Pattern of dots  
Tactile  
discrimination

Skills

Compare, sort, match  
Discover the spatial  
organisation of a braille cell  
Count quantities  
Develop tactile discrimination

More activities

The Snake  
Drivers  
Roll the Dice

## Two is just right!

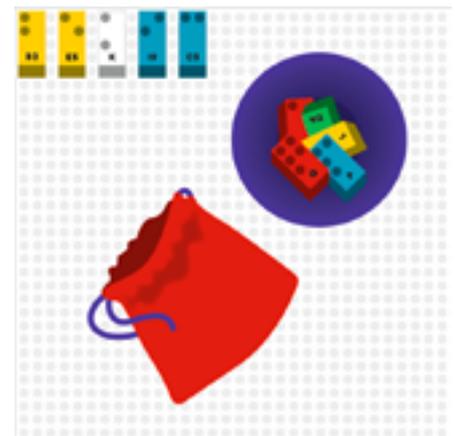
1 is not enough, 3 is too many.

Sort the bricks and keep only the ones with exactly 2 studs.

### Goals

To explore the bricks tactually.

To count the number of studs on each.



### The adult prepares

- 1 baseplate
- 6 bricks with only 2 studs (e.g. B, C, E, I, K)
- 6 other bricks (with 1, 3, 4, 5 or 6 studs)
- 1 bowl
- 1 bag

Hide the 12 bricks in the bag.

### The children play

1 The child takes a brick from the bag. If it's a 2-stud brick, they put it on the baseplate.

2 If it isn't they put it in the bowl.

### Facilitation tips

- Make sure the child uses both hands during the activity: they need to practice two-hand movements, as good bilateral coordination is essential for braille reading.
- Encourage 'light' tactile exploration of the bricks. You can say: "If you touch the studs lightly, you'll be able to feel them much better than if you press hard."
- Peer play: the children take turns to search the bag for a brick with a specific number of studs. If they find one, they attach it to the baseplate.