

The 2016 Department of Education Report, [STEM 2026, A Vision for Innovation in STEM Education](https://innovation.ed.gov/files/2016/09/AIR-STEM2026_Report_2016.pdf) stated, "Introducing students to STEM early in their education, in both informal and formal learning settings, capitalizes on children's' innate interest in the world around them." This report also identified accessible learning activities that invite intentional play and risk as a key component of its vision. Stating that STEM-themed play fosters a "sense of belonging as students learn from and with others."
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VISIT MY U-TUBE CHANNEL FOR INEXPENSIVE STEM PROJECTS THAT PROMOTE STEM-THEMED PLAY!

stem rocks

stem robot hand project

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r35At1urmQ8>

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SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Hand Template
- 5 Straws with Bends
- 5 Strings (20 inches each)
- Glue Gun & Glue Sticks
- Toothpick
- Scissors

