## **Jumping Beans**

A fun game for young children.



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## Jumping Jelly-Beans Game

<u>Directions</u>: Print out the attached "jumping beans" and trim to create eight cards, one of each color of the beans: blue, pink, red, orange, green, brown, yellow, and black. If you can, print the jumping beans onto heavy card stock and laminate – read full instructions before laminating.

## **Activities:**

Jump by color — Simply scatter the jumping beans onto the floor and use packing tape to secure to the floor. This game will not work on carpet — you can tape beans to the wall and have children use their hands. You can ask your child to stand on the first color you choose. When you call out the next color, have the child jump to that color.

Jump by Number - Before laminating, write a number on the bean or somewhere on the card. Ask your child to stand on the first number you choose. When you call out the next number, have the child jump to that color.

Jump by Alphabet Letter - Works just like the two above, except you would write an alphabet letter onto the bean.

You can also try **Jump by Word** or **Jump by Shape** by writing words or drawing shapes onto the beans.

**Twister** – Using cards with body parts from previous lessons call out a color and select a body part from the deck and ask your child to put his or her "foot" or "hand" {for example} onto one of the jumping beans.







