

Station set-up and volunteer instructions:

## **Litter Box Escape**

### Materials:

6 tubs  
cat litter  
sand  
shredded paper  
yarn or string  
scissors  
Tarp  
Small bowls  
2 large bowls  
paper towels  
broom

Move or remove all but two tables in the multipurpose room.

Spread the tarp out of the floor

Half-fill two tubs of each: Litter, sand, shredded paper and place on the tarp.

cover a table with plastic and place the extra materials on it, pushed off to the side.

Arrange string, scissors and station instructions on the other table and place near the entrance to make cat leashes. Students may need help with the knots.

Students will place the leashed cat in a tub of material and pull it out-fast or slow, however they want. Ask them to observe what happens to the material and how the materials are different. Encourage them to take turns. Paper can be just put back in the tub. Sand and litter will have to be occasionally swept up.

Prep some bowls with small amounts of paper, litter or sand at the covered table. Bring the large bowls of water around for the students to dip their cat in before the wet test- try not to leave the large bowls in the floor! They can then dip and pull their wet cat from the small bowls. These bowls can be on the table, or on the tarp depending on how busy the station is. Kids are welcome to repeat these tests as much as they like but make sure everyone is getting a turn!

This will be a messy activity! Patrons are welcome to use the sink. Do your best to keep it safe- have a walkable path into and out of the room as well as to the sink and around the tests.

Clean-up:

Recycle shredded paper (even wet).

Dump the water in the sink.

Debris on tarp can be slid into the trash

Fold up tarp to be cleaned outside

Return any dry materials, trash any wet materials in bowls.

Clean bowls in sink

Sweep up any remaining debris.