## **Soft & Hard** TEXT

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These are my hands! I can wave them and wiggle my fingers.

These are my feet! I can stomp them and wiggle my toes.

When my hands and feet touch things, I can feel textures.

Some textures feel soft when I push my fingers on them.

A stuffed teddy bear is squeezably soft.

Salient Features: Teddy Bears are toys that have round ears, a short snout, fluffy fur and big paws.

Some textures feel hard when I push my fingers on them.

A plastic toy truck is solid and hard.

Salient Features: Trucks are large vehicles that have a driver's cab, wheels, and a long container. This truck is a dump truck.

A sponge has a surface that is rough and soft.

Description: Sponges are rectangular-shaped cleaning tools that are made from a soft, absorbent material.

A bar of soap has a surface that is smooth and hard.

Description: Bars of soap are shaped like rectangles and fit in the palm of your hand.

A cupcake is squishy and soft.

Salient Features: Cupcakes have a square shaped bottom and a triangular shaped top.

A lollipop is sticky and hard.

Salient Features: Lollipops have a long thin stick to hold onto and a round top to lick.

A pillow is fluffy and soft.

Description: Pillows come in many different shapes and sizes. This pillow is a square.

A table is smooth and hard.

Salient Features: Tables have a flat top surface and usually have four legs.

A raspberry is spongy and soft.

Salient Features: Raspberries are red, small, round and bumpy.

A carrot is smooth and hard.

Salient Features: Carrots are orange and long. When they grow, they have a leafy green stem.

There are soft and hard items all around you! When you explore, you will find more!