



2020 Summer Fun Activities

from your
ECEAP Teachers



NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT

primary playground

- Find 4 pine cones.
- Find something that is yellow.
- Find 2 tree stumps.
- Find a feather.
- Find a seed pod.
- Find 4 smooth rocks.
- Find a spider web with a spider on it.
- Find 3 mushrooms.
- Find a long stick.
- Find 2 things that can fly.
- Find 3 different sized green leaves.
- Find a dandelion weed. Blow a wish.



INVENTOR SCAVENGER HUNT

primary playground

- Find something that you can turn.
- Find something that is bumpy.
- Find something that is metal.
- Find something you put together.
- Find 3 things that are round.
- Find something you twist.
- Find something shiny.
- Find something you can roll.
- Find a tube.
- Find 3 things that are squishy.
- Find something clear.
- Find something that can bounce.



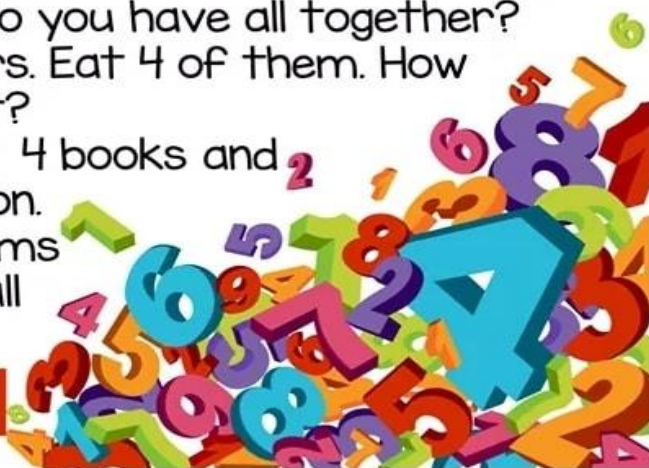
BOOK SCAVENGER HUNT

- Find an animal in a book. primary playground
- Find the word spring in a book.
- Find someone helping someone in a book.
- Find a picture of a sun in a book.
- Find a book that makes you laugh.
- Find a bug in a book.
- Find someone sleeping in a book.
- Find a character eating in a book.
- Find a pet in a book.
- Find a cat in a book.
- Find a superhero in a book.
- Find a bike in a book.



MATH SCAVENGER HUNT

- Find 2 pencils and 1 blue crayon. How many items do you have now?
- Find 5 blocks and 2 pennies. How many items do you have now? Take away 3 blocks. How many items are left?
- Find 4 socks and 2 stuffed animals. How many items do you have all together?
- Find 8 crackers. Eat 4 of them. How many are left?
- Find 3 spoons, 4 books and 2 1 orange crayon. How many items do you have all together?



INDOOR SCAVENGER HUNT

primary playground

- Find a fork.
- Find something that is red.
- Find a tissue box.
- Find 3 things that have wheels.
- Find an orange crayon.
- Find something that is very soft.
- Find a band-aid.
- Find a key.
- Find 2 socks that match.
- Find something round.
- Find a sticker.
- Find a rubber band.
- Find a pair of glasses.
- Find an envelope.



BACKYARD SCAVENGER HUNT

primary playground

- ☁ Find 3 kinds of leaves..
- ☁ Find something yellow.
- ☁ Name a bug that is red.
- ☁ Find 2 sticks.
- ☁ Find something that smells good.
- ☁ Name something you see in the sky.
- ☁ Find something that is round.
- ☁ Find something that grows that is green.
- ☁ Find a bird.
- ☁ Find 3 different colored rocks.
- ☁ Find something purple.
- ☁ Find a bug.



Macaroni Coloring

Ingredients

- Macaroni
- Food coloring
- Small zip lock bags



An easy fun-non-messy way to color macaroni.

In a small bag add 2 handfuls of macaroni and food coloring. Seal the baggie and have a child shake the baggie until the macaroni is colored. Lay out on paper towels to dry. You can glue to paper to make art or make a necklace to wear.

Hair Gel Writing

Need: zip log bag and hair gel



Take a large zip lock bag add the cheapest hair gel you can find and get as much air out as possible. Then seal and tape it shut

Remind them they cannot open or pop the bag.

You can practice writing letters, numbers, child's name, shapes or draw a picture.

Goop

1 cup flour

1 cup salt

1 cup water



Mix all ingredients together and stir until well blended. Put goop in empty mustard/ ketchup squeeze bottles. Add food coloring for tint or use tempera paint for strong color tones. Use this mixture to decorate paper or cardboard cutouts of people, eggs, rainbows, etc.

Baker's Clay

1 ½ cup warm water

1 ½ cup salt

6 tablespoons vegetable oil

Food coloring as desired

5 cups (approx.) flour

Instructions

Mix the salt and the warm water together. Stir vigorously to dissolve as much of the salt as possible. Add the oil and the food coloring. Mix in flour, one cup at a time, until mixture becomes a thick dough.

When finished with mixture, knead approximately 10-15 minutes. Roll clay out to ½ inch to 1 inch thick. Use cookie cutters, rollers or other kitchen gadgets to create shapes and designs. Place on a non-greased or foil-lined cookie sheet. Place in a COLD oven. Set oven on warm (250 degrees) and leave in oven overnight or, if you are in a rush, set the oven to 325 degrees. Pieces should be done in one hour unless they are very thick. Note: Do not attempt to cook clay about 325 degrees; do not attempt to microwave clay.

When pieces are finished baking and cooling, they can be painted with tempera, acrylic, watercolors (not too wet) or colored with felt markers. Spray the finished products with clear acrylic spray and they will last quite a while.



Homemade Sidewalk Chalk



Ingredients

Plaster of Paris (dry powder, not mixed)

Tempera Paint (any colors you like)

Silicon Mold (the kind used for baking; can be found in a variety of shapes)
or Empty toilet paper rolls with one end sealed with plastic wrap and tape)

Water

Disposable Cups

Plastic Spoons

Instructions

For each color you will need a separate cup.

Fill each cup with $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of water.

Add $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of paint

Add 1 cup of Plaster of Paris

Mix well

Pour mixture into molds or toilet paper rolls.

If you want to layer colors just pour the first color in and add the second or third on top (don't mix them)

Let dry for 24 hours. Remove them from the mold (be careful because they are still soft and you need to carefully pop them out). Let them dry outside the molds for an additional 24 hours!

Ice Cream in a Bag

Ingredients

- 1 cup half and half
- 1.5 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 tbsp sugar
- ice
- 1/4 cup salt
- Ziploc bags 1 Small, 1 Large



Instructions

1. Pour 1 cup of half and half into a small Ziploc bag.
2. Add 1.5 teaspoons of vanilla extract and 1 tablespoon of sugar.
3. Seal the bag firmly and get any excess air out.
4. In the larger Ziploc bag, fill it about 1/2 way with ice. Add 1/4 cup of salt.
5. Then add your small bag and fill with extra ice on top. Seal the large bag.
6. Get gloves for shaking and shake for 6 minutes. *Gloves are needed since the salt makes the ice extra cold.
7. Take the small bag out of the large bag and rinse the outside of the small bag with cold water. Make sure to rinse out the top part of the bag also (above the seal).
8. Once done rinsing, carefully open the small bag to not get any remaining salt from the outside of the bag inside the bag.
9. The ice cream will be a little icy looking to start. Use a spoon to mix it around and soften it up a bit. Scoop out and enjoy!

Tornado in a Jar

Materials

- A jar (with a lid)
- Dish soap
- Water
- Vinegar
- Measuring spoons

Optional items

- Food coloring
- Iridescent glitter

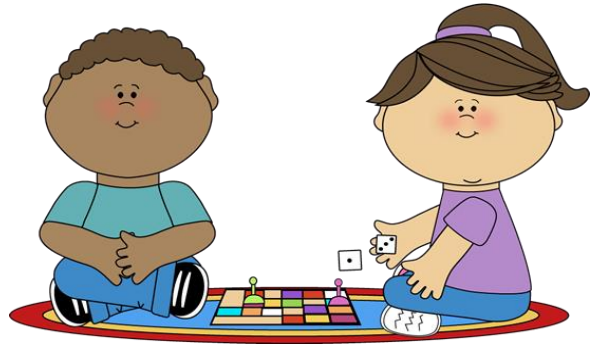


Directions

- Begin by filling a jar with **cold water**, leaving 1-2 inches from the top. You can use any type of jar as long as it is round and has a lid.
- Add 1-2 drops of food coloring and or glitter if desired
- Add 1 Tablespoon of dish soap a 1 teaspoon of white vinegar
- Mix gently
- Once ingredients are mixed place lid on tightly and you are ready to make your tornado
- Swirl round and round and then stop
- Watch your tornado in a jar

What do I learn when I play?

- Effective communication skills
- Social skills
- Cognitive skills
- Critical thinking
- Motor skills
- Confidence in my abilities
- How to be creative



Questions to ask your child while you play:

- What did you notice about...?
- What do you think will happen if...?
- Why do you think...?
- How did you feel when ...?
- How did you know that?

