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NEWSLETTER

Infant/Toddler

Themes

Wacky Weeks
Egg-citing Changes
The Joy of Art
Nurture Nature

Shapes and Colors





Opposites wet/dry

Vocabulary

laughing, tickling, eggs, hatching, art tools, cutting, trash, planting trees

Sign Language

blue, outside, yellow, up, sleep











Together Time Activities

Here are some fun activities you and your child can enjoy together!

Silly Sounds

Have fun making silly sounds! Click your tongue, smack your lips, or make another sound. See if your child will imitate. Try imitating sounds your child makes too.

• Eggs in the Tub

Offer your child some jumbo plastic eggs at bath time. Do they sink or float? What happens if you fill them with water? Have fun exploring!

Art in a Box

Invite your child to sit inside a big cardboard box and color or paint on the inside walls.

Earth Friends

Help your child practice earth-friendly habits. Hold her up to turn off the lights as you leave a room. Let her help turn off the water after washing hands or brushing teeth.

Nursery Rhymes

Nursery rhymes teach children auditory skills and help them develop an appreciation for rhyme and rhythm. They also help children develop language, memory, creativity, and other cognitive skills.



Tommy Thumb

Tommy Thumb is up and Tommy Thumb is down, Tommy Thumb is dancing all around the town. Dancing on my shoulder, dancing on my head, Dancing on my knee and then tucked into bed.

Round and Round the Garden

Round and round the garden (Draw circles on palm of child's hand.)
Like a teddy bear.
One step, two steps,
(Walk fingers up child's arm.)
Tickle you under there!
(Tickle child gently under chin.)



Look for Books

I Love You, Blue Kangaroo! by Emma Chichester Clark

Nest

by Jorey Hurley

Spring Joy

by Liesbet Slegers

Spots and Dots

by Parragon Books

Don't Throw That Away!

by Lara Bergen

All the World

by Liz Garton Scanlon



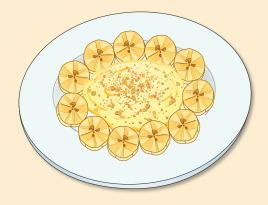
Cooking Together

When cooking with infants and toddlers, allow them to help in a safe way with mixing, pouring, rolling, mashing, shaking, etc. Use words to describe what you are doing and what you plan to do next. Talk about what you see, smell, feel, hear, and taste.

Fruity Flowers

lemon yogurt banana slices graham cracker crumbs

Spoon a dollop of lemon yogurt onto a small plate and sprinkle with a few graham cracker crumbs. Surround the yogurt with sliced bananas to make a pretty flower! Dip the banana slices in the yogurt and enjoy!



Sing Along with Me

Find these songs at <u>www.funshineexpress.com</u>

Silly Sounds

Sung to "The Muffin Man"

Oh, can you make a silly sound? Can you hear this? My silly sound. Oh, can you make a silly sound? My sound...it goes like this. (Make various sounds.)



Dandelion Puff

Sung to "I'm a Little Teapot"

I'm a dandelion, tiny and small, (Crouch down.)
Growing in the sunshine, stretching tall! (Slowly stand up.)
My bright yellow blossom turns to fluff, (Circle arms over head.)

Waiting for the wind to huff and puff! (Put hands over mouth to blow.)

I'm a dandelion, tiny and small, (Crouch down.)
Growing in the sunshine, stretching tall! (Slowly stand up.)
All my little seeds will float away,

(Dance fingers around face.)
Riding on the wind this bright sunny day!
(Move about with outstretched arms.)



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