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Preschool

I will continue to make Tuesday's and Thursday's workbook lessons. The other days of the week we will continue to work on number and letter recognition, puzzles, memory games, I spy, body parts, animals and whatever sounds fun on that day! :O) All of the little ones are working in their sharing skills. Some days are better than other and some of the kids are grasping this more than the others.

Activity



Why not bake an apple pie or make some applesauce with your child this month?



Recently I read an article about the benefits of 'tea parties' and wanted to incorporate them into the daycare. There are so many positive points that she made that I feel the kids would have a blast and learn so much. It would take some cooperation from all of my daycare families. What I need is some old bridesmaid dresses or prom dresses that you are no longer using, hats, old heels, vests, bow ties/neck ties, button down shirts etc., anything that we could use for a tea party. I will then alter the clothes for the kids to make them tailored to their sizes-don't exactly want them swimming in them. Also, if you have mix and match China tea sets; anything that resembles a tea cup/saucer or tea pot. I will look for items as well. Once all the outfits are tailored and the China sets ready I will have a baking day with the kids to prepare the snacks or desserts with the kids and we will go through the steps in baking and how to prepare tea. Next we will pick out an outfit to wear for the event. This will be a process over several days and we will continue to have tea parties often to allow each child the chance to be host/hostess and use that time to bring up new topics for discussion. I think the kids will feel like grown-ups...and of course I will be taking pictures.

Some of the things she pointed out were:

- Sitting at the table: Introduce them to 'old fashioned' manners, Have the boys pull out the chair for the girls, Place napkins on their lap, No elbows on the table, and Engage in polite conversation
- Passing the tea: Select one child to be host/hostess, Allow them to pour the tea, Helps create a leadership role, building confidence, and self-esteem, If they choose a 2nd cup, allow them to pour it, themselves to practice pouring skills, and Don't fuss over spills-discuss how to avoid them
- Sharing the treats: Describe the treats being served, Point out details and ask them to describe them to, everyone, Pass out the treats until everyone has one-no one eats until everyone has a treat to eat
- Conversation: The core of the party and the most fun!! You can select a conversation to talk about such as manners, how they are dressed or how the table is decorated, Allow them all time to talk and have a conversation, with the others, DON'T RUSH...this is all about having fun and noticing the details of the party!

The article was written by Patricia Dischler to read the article in its entirety please follow this link:
www.patriciadischler.com

Learning Time - Sign Language

I work with the little ones on a daily basis and encourage them to use their words even if I know they how to verbally say the word. I feel that the repetition helps their memory and also in their communication with the younger kids. The younger kids are learning so much by mimicking the older kids here.

Help ~ The "S" hand, thumb up rests in the right palm. Both hands are then pushed up a slight distance.



Please ~ Make a circle with the right flat hand over the

heart.



Thank-you ~ Touch the lips with the fingertips of one or both flat hands, then move the hands forward until the palms are facing up. It is natural to smile and nod the head while making this sign.

Eat ~ The right *and* hand moves toward the mouth a few times.



Done ~ Hold the left flat hand with fingers pointing forward and palm facing right. Move the fingers of the right flat hand outward along the in-

ward and palm facing right. Move the fingers of the right flat hand outward along the in-

dex-finger edge of the left until it drops off the end.

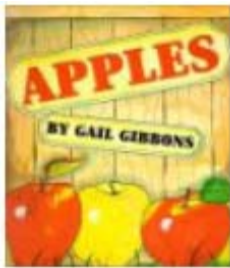
Diaper ~ The thumbs and index and middle fingers of each hand point down and rest on each hip, as the signer mimes the closing of clips and fasten the diaper.

Kitty ~ The signer pretends to cradle (rock) a baby, and then tugs on imaginary cat whiskers with the thumb and index finger of one hand.



"...keep the words simple..."

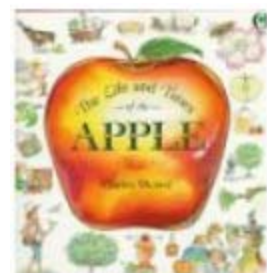
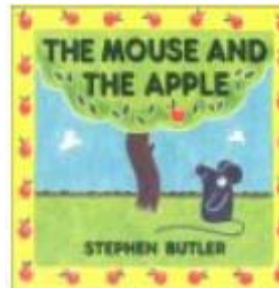
Books to Read



"Read to your children often to instill a love of reading in them to last a lifetime. Let them pick the book you read and watch them sit and listen"

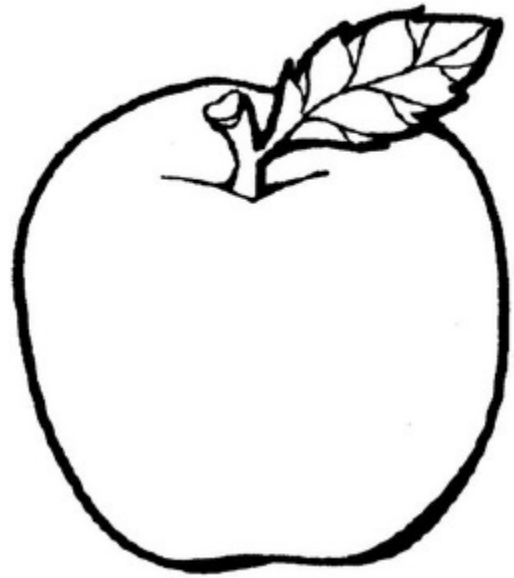


"read to your children often..."



Kid's Korner

How many words can you make from
Apple Tree?



Color the picture.

How many words can you find?

A	P	P	L	E	A	P	O	D
G	K	L	I	Y	P	Y	J	K
T	R	T	E	E	P	L	E	A
R	I	K	H	G	L	M	L	P
E	C	D	F	S	E	E	D	S
E	K	P	H	A	S	P	P	K
L	E	P	P	H	A	J	K	B
H	Y	P	R	Y	U	T	X	D
E	W	I	A	R	C	Y	K	L
B	N	E	M	K	E	U	Y	R
G	F	R	E	W	Q	S	D	G



What's Different?

Find the difference in the two pictures. List them below or circle them in the pictures.

Apple
Tree
Seeds

Pie
Applesauce