

Material List for the week of 10/02/2023 Curious Critters (0-35 Months)

Monday

Activity: Start Your Day: Curious Critters-IT

- Weather Display (Starter Pack OR see Resources)
- One Moose, Twenty Mice by Clare Beaton and Stella Blackstone
- All About Me Card-I can try broccoli (see Resources)
- favorite books

Activity: Curious Mice

- Mouse Vocabulary Card (see Resources)
- One Moose, Twenty Mice by Clare Beaton and Stella Blackstone

Activity: IT Station: Books for Curious Critters

Suggested Books

- Listen, Listen by Phillis Gershator
- Opposite Things by Anna Kovecses
- Pick Me Up, Mama! by Robin Luebs
- A Color Game for Chester Raccoon by Audrey Penn
- Colors of Nature by Kate Riggs
- Squirrels Leap, Squirrels Sleep by April Pulley Sayre
- Mouse's First Fall by Lauren Thompson
- Mouse Paint by Ellen Stoll Walsh

Vocabulary Cards: Mouse, Skunk, Raccoon (see Resources)

Activity: Mouse Yoga Pose

• mats

Activity: Make-a-Mouse, Part 1

heart shaped cutouts (see Resources)



- Mouse Paint by Ellen Stoll Walsh
- finger paints
- paintbrushes
- shallow dishes

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Pickup: After a While, Crocodile

• "After a While, Crocodile" song by Super Simple Songs

Activity: Mousie, Mousie 2023

- small picture of mouse
- tape

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Drop-Off: Busy Mice

Activity: End Your Day: Curious Critters-IT

Tuesday

Activity: Hickory, Dickory, Dock

- Hickory, Dickory, Dock Nursery Rhyme Story Prop (see Resources)
- scissors

Activity: Mice and Cheese

- yellow paper
- scissors
- paper punch

Activity: Make-a-Mouse, Part 2

- painted heart cutouts (see Related Activities)
- eye stickers
- yarn
- scissors



Activity: IT Station: Pretend Play for Curious Critters

- large tree cutout
- stuffed animals
- animal puppets
- flashlight (teacher use)

Activity: Mouse Snack

- Swiss cheese slices OR preferred cheese
- crackers
- knife (teacher use)

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Diaper Changes: Itsy Bitsy Spider

• One Moose, Twenty Mice by Clare Beaton and Stella Blackstone

Wednesday

Activity: Triangle Shape and Color Orange 2023

- Color and Shape Display (Starter Pack OR see Resources)
- Triangle Shape Piece (Starter Pack OR see Resources)
- Orange Color Piece (Starter Pack OR see Resources)
- sort and match houses

Activity: Critters in the Hole

- box
- scissors OR utility knife (teacher use)
- assorted animal toys (snake, mice, squirrels, etc.)

Activity: IT Station: Discovery for Curious Critters

- Contrast Pictures Early Learning Materials (see Related Activities)
- light table
- X-rays
- black and white paper
- plastic magnifiers



Activity: Playdough Triangles

- playdough
- rolling pins
- triangle-shaped cookie cutters

Activity: Three Fast Mice 2023

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Rest Time: Time for Bed

• Time for Bed by Mem Fox

Thursday

Activity: Skunks

Skunk Vocabulary Card (see Resources)

Activity: Sort and Match by Color

- sort and match houses OR house-shaped blocks
- basket

Activity: Contrast Pictures

• Contrast Pictures Early Learning Materials (see Resources)

Activity: Curious Skunk, Part 1

- skunk cutout (see Resources)
- black bleeding tissue paper
- spray bottles with mist setting OR wet sponges
- scissors

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Critter Toys



- Mouse, Skunk, and Raccoon Vocabulary Cards (see Resources)
- plush mouse, skunk, and raccoon toys

Friday

Activity: Squirrels

• books about squirrels

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Exploring Pumpkins

• assorted pumpkins

Activity: Sidewalk Hopping

Activity: Curious Skunk, Part 2

- skunk cutouts with black bleeding tissue paper (see Related Activities)
- eye stickers
- craft sticks
- tape
- scissors

Activity: Follow the Squirrel

• squirrel puppet OR picture of squirrel

Resource List for Week of 10-02-23 Curious Critters (0-35 months)

Monday

Activity: Start Your Day: Curious Critters-IT

Weather Display 2023-24: Infant/Toddler

All About Me Card: I can try broccoli. 2023

Activity: Curious Mice

Vocabulary Card: Mouse 2023

Activity: IT Station: Books for Curious Critters

Vocabulary Card: Mouse 2023

Vocabulary Card: Skunk 2023

Vocabulary Card: Raccoon

Activity: Make-a-Mouse, Part 1

Heart Shape and Skunk Cutout 2023

Tuesday

Activity: Hickory, Dickory, Dock

Nursery Rhyme: Hickory, Dickory, Dock 2023

Wednesday

Activity: Triangle Shape and Color Orange 2023

Color/Shape Display Base 2023-24

Shape Display: Triangle 2023

Color Display: Red, Orange 2023

Thursday

Activity: Skunks

Vocabulary Card: Skunk 2023

Activity: Contrast Pictures

ELM Printable: Contrast Pictures 2023

Activity: Curious Skunk, Part 1

Heart Shape and Skunk Cutout 2023

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Critter Toys

Vocabulary Card: Mouse 2023

Vocabulary Card: Skunk 2023

Vocabulary Card: Raccoon



Material List for the week of 10/09/2023 Curious Critters (0-35 Months)

Monday

Activity: Fire Prevention

- First Words Around Town by Little Genius Books
- props for pretend fire (sticks, orange tissue, etc.)
- puppet

Activity: IT Station: Table Toys for Curious Critters

Suggested Props

- animal puzzles
- shape puzzles

Activity: Stop, Drop, and Roll

Activity: Let's Be Firefighters 2023

• props to role-play firefighters (firefighter costumes, toy fire trucks, old vacuum cleaner hoses, boots, blocks, etc.)

Activity: Listening

- Body Parts Poster (see Resources)
- books about firefighters/fire safety

Tuesday

Activity: Find the Raccoon

- Raccoon Vocabulary Card (see Resources)
- flashlights



Activity: Raccoon Yoga Pose

Activity: IT Station: Blocks for Curious Critters

- plastic blocks
- soft balls
- toy animals

Activity: Contrast Art, Part 1

- white paper
- black festoon OR black party bag filler
- black stickers
- Contrast Pictures Early Learning Materials (see Resources)
- scissors
- glue

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Contrast Pictures

- Contrast Pictures Early Learning Materials (see Resources)
- contrast books
- scissors

Activity: Trying Broccoli

- All About Me Card-I can try broccoli (see Resources)
- pie pan
- cooking spray
- cooking pot
- knife (teacher use)
- mixing spoon
- large bowl
- measuring cups/spoons
- ingredients (broccoli, eggs, cottage cheese, milk, shredded cheddar cheese, Parmesan cheese, dried basil, salt, pepper, granulated garlic, paprika, and cooked rice)

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Feedings: Trying Broccoli

- All About Me Card-I can try broccoli
- cooking pot OR steamer



- broccoli
- knife (teacher use)
- small plates OR bowls
- spoons

Wednesday

Activity: Spiders

• One Moose, Twenty Mice by Clare Beaton and Stella Blackstone

Activity: Sticky Spider Webs

- The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle
- clear contact paper
- tape
- strips of white paper

Activity: Smiley Face Snacks

- English muffins
- soft spreads (cream cheese, apple butter, and/or jelly)
- small pieces of fruit
- plastic spoons
- toaster

Activity: Contrast Art, Part 2

- white papers with black embellishments (see Related Activities)
- black paper
- white yarn
- white doilies
- Contrast Pictures Early Learning Materials (see Resources)
- scissors
- glue

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Contrast Art

- white paper
- black festoon OR black party bag filler



- black stickers
- black paper
- white yarn
- white doilies
- scissors
- glue
- black and white finger paints
- paintbrushes

Thursday

Activity: Snakes

• One Moose, Twenty Mice by Clare Beaton and Stella Blackstone

Activity: Snake Shapes in the Sand

- baking sheets
- sand
- red paper
- orange paper
- tape
- paintbrushes
- craft sticks

Activity: Swampy Snakes

- sensory table OR large plastic tub
- cornstarch
- water
- green liquid watercolor OR food coloring
- jumbo plastic snakes OR jumbo craft sticks
- spoons
- measuring cups

Activity: IT Station: Music for Curious Critters

Suggested Music: Find our theme playlists on Spotify by searching "Buttercups Curious Critters."

- "Hickory Dickory Dock" by CoComelon
- "Raccoon-Calling with Forest in Background" by Dr. Sound Effects
- "Squirrels, Squirrels, Squirrels" by Parry Gripp



- "Fire Truck" by Charlie Hope
- "Fire Engine" by Amy Liz
- "Line up Song" by The Kiboomers
- "Grey Squirrel" by The Learning Station
- "After a While, Crocodile" by Super Simple Songs
- "Drive the Fire Truck" by Tinsel Town Kids

Suggested Props

- toy critters (mice, raccoons, squirrels, skunks)
- toy fire trucks

Activity: Shared Snake

- butcher paper OR parchment paper
- scissors
- tape
- ink pads
- finger paints
- shape stamps
- paintbrushes

Friday

Activity: Around the Critters

- Mouse, Skunk, Raccoon Vocabulary Cards (see Resources)
- rattles OR shakers
- hula hoop

Activity: Critter Shapes

- assorted colors of felt
- scissors
- flannel board
- yarn

Activity: Bouncing Critters

- parachute OR blanket
- toy critters



Activity: Favorite Critte	rs
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• One Moose, Twenty Mice by Clare Beaton and Stella Blackstone

Resource List for Week of 10-09-23 Curious Critters (0-35 months)

Monday

Activity: Listening

Body Parts Poster 2023-24

Tuesday

Activity: Find the Raccoon

Vocabulary Card: Raccoon

Activity: Contrast Art, Part 1

ELM Printable: Contrast Pictures 2023

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Contrast Pictures

ELM Printable: Contrast Pictures 2023

Activity: Trying Broccoli

All About Me Card: I can try broccoli. 2023

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Feedings: Trying Broccoli

All About Me Card: I can try broccoli. 2023

Wednesday

Activity: Contrast Art, Part 2

ELM Printable: Contrast Pictures 2023

Friday

Activity: Around the Critters

Vocabulary Card: Mouse 2023

Vocabulary Card: Skunk 2023

Vocabulary Card: Raccoon



Material List for the week of 10/16/2023 Fairy Tale Friends (0-35 Months)

Monday

Activity: Start Your Day: Fairy Tale Friends-IT

• sort and match houses

Activity: Castles

- Castle Vocabulary Card (see Resources)
- toy castle
- toy people

Activity: Castle Building

- Castle Vocabulary Card (see Resources)
- assorted blocks
- cardboard boxes
- cardboard tubes (paper towels, wrapping paper, toilet paper, etc.)

Activity: Fairy Tales at the Library

Activity: Castle Creations, Part 1

- castle cutouts (see Resources)
- watercolor palettes
- paintbrushes
- small cups of water

Activity: IT Station: Pretend Play for Fairy Tale Friends

- masks
- capes
- wands



crowns

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Drop-Off: My Little Pumpkin

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Pickup: End-of-Day Books

- Tummy Time by Flowerpot Press
- First Words Around Town by Little Genius Books
- One Moose, Twenty Mice by Clare Beaton and Stella Blackstone
- infant books (texture books, lift-the-flap books, etc.)

Activity: End Your Day: Fairy Tale Friends-IT

Tuesday

Activity: Introducing the Letter C 2023

- Alphabet Display (Starter Pack OR see Resources)
- Letter C Piece (Starter Pack OR see Resources)
- Castle Vocabulary Card (see Resources)
- paper
- marker (teacher use)

Activity: IT Station: Books for Fairy Tale Friends

Suggested Books

- Biscuit Visits the Pumpkin Patch by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
- In My Patch by Sara Gillingham
- Princess Baby, Night-Night and Princess Baby on the Go both by Karen Katz
- Fairy Friends: A Colors Primer by Merrilee Liddiard
- You're My Little Pumpkin Pie by Natalie Marshall
- Tap the Magic Tree by Christie Matheson
- I Can Dream by Betsy Snyder
- The Crown on Your Head by Nancy Tillman

Vocabulary Cards: Castle, Pretending, Pumpkin Patch (see Resources)

Activity: Melting Ice Castles

- large ice cube trays
- small paper cups
- water
- sensory table OR large plastic tub
- pipettes



• small cups of warm water

Activity: Royal Equipment

- toy cash register
- pop-up toys
- puzzles
- lift-the-flap books

Activity: Castle Creations, Part 2

- painted castle cutouts (see Related Activities)
- place mats OR piece of construction paper
- wax craft sticks
- confetti
- glue
- scissors

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Diaper Changes: Narrating Diaper Changes

Wednesday

Activity: Crowns

- crown
- · book that features crowns

Activity: Jewels on the Crown

• Jewels on the Crown Early Learning Materials (see Resources)

Activity: IT Station: Discovery for Fairy Tale Friends

- rattles
- maracas
- shakers

Activity: To the Kings and Queens



- deck of cards
- tape

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Rest Time: Twinkle Star

Activity: Crowns and Wands, Part 1

- paper crowns
- star stickers
- markers
- sparkly pens (teacher use)

Thursday

Activity: Old King Cole

- completed Crown and Wands projects (see Related Activities)
- "Old King Cole" song by CoComelon
- musical instruments

Activity: King Cole's Bowls

- assorted unbreakable bowls
- sensory table OR large tub
- water

Activity: Outdoor Royal Painting

- butcher paper
- tape
- paints
- painting tools

Activity: Crowns and Wands, Part 2

- paint sticks
- orange and green streamers
- completed crowns (see Related Activities)
- markers
- scissors



• tape

Friday

Activity: Dragons

- pictures of dragons
- dragon hand puppet OR stuffed dragon

Activity: Riding Dragons

- picture of dragon
- capes
- wands and other theme-related props
- dragon hand puppet OR stuffed animal

Activity: Dancing Like Dragons

- music
- dragon hand puppet OR stuffed dragon

Activity: Dragon Breaths

• pictures of dragons

Resource List for Week of 10-16-23 Fairy Tale Friends (0-35 months)

Monday

Activity: Castles

Vocabulary Card: Castle 2023

Activity: Castle Building

Vocabulary Card: Castle 2023

Activity: Castle Creations, Part 1

Castle Cutout 2023

Tuesday

Activity: Introducing the Letter C 2023

Alphabet Display 2023-24

Alphabet Display Pieces: A, B, C 2023

Vocabulary Card: Castle 2023

Activity: IT Station: Books for Fairy Tale Friends

Vocabulary Card: Castle 2023

Vocabulary Card: Pretending 2023

Vocabulary Card: Pumpkin Patch 2023

Wednesday

Activity: Jewels on the Crown

ELM Printable: Jewels on the Crown 2023

Thursday

Activity: Old King Cole

Vocabulary Card: Castle 2023



Material List for the week of 10/23/2023 Fairy Tale Friends (0-35 Months)

Monday

Activity: Pretending 2023

Pretending Vocabulary Card (see Resources)

Activity: IT Station: Table Toys for Fairy Tale Friends

- ring stacker
- rainbow stacker
- other stacking toys

Activity: Through the Rings

- hula hoop
- paper plate rim
- bracelet
- balls
- assorted objects (crayon, scarf, beanbag, toy vehicle, book, etc.)

Activity: Teddy Tea Party

- children's teddy bears OR favorite stuffed animals
- plastic tea party set
- toy foods

Activity: Feeling Playful

- All About Me Card-I feel playful (see Resources)
- pretend play clothing
- capes
- masks



Tuesday

Activity: Sparkle Writing

- glitter
- finger paints
- heavy self-sealing bags
- clear packing tape

Activity: Triangles and Sand

- shallow pan
- orange paper
- sand
- triangle-shaped objects

Activity: I'm a Little Teapot

Activity: IT Station: Music for Fairy Tale Friends

Suggested Music: Find our theme playlists on Spotify by searching "Buttercups Fairy Tale Friends."

- "The Orange Song" by Heidi Butkus
- "The Three Bears" by Children's Fairytale Theater
- "Pretend Play Song" and "Old King Cole" both by CoComelon
- "The Twist" by Debbie Doo
- "Pumpkin Patch" by Mary Rice Hopkins
- "Triangle Song" by The Kiboomers
- "King of the Castle" by The Wiggles

Suggested Props

- musical instruments
- orange streamers

Activity: Tea Party with Friends

- tablecloth
- small cups
- plates
- water OR juice
- crackers OR another snack



Wednesday

Activity: Royal Words

- toys
- puppet
- construction paper
- marker (teacher use)
- tape

Activity: Once Upon a Star

- black construction paper
- white chalk

Activity: Making Marks: Vertical Lines

- paper
- marker
- tape

Activity: IT Station: Blocks for Fairy Tale Friends

- assorted blocks
- cardboard
- toys that roll (play balls, toy vehicles, etc.)

Activity: Where's My Friend? 2023

• puppet

Thursday

Activity: Tap the Magic Tree

• Tap the Magic Tree by Christie Matheson



Activity: Leaf Paintings

- nontoxic leaves
- finger paints
- paper

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Leaves Exploration

- nontoxic leaves
- deep metal baking tray

Activity: Triangles and Slots

- containers with lids (shoebox OR coffee can)
- triangle-shaped cutouts
- scissors

Activity: Our Royal Ball

- music
- crowns

Friday

Activity: Listen and Move 2023

Activity: Pumpkin Butter Snack

- pumpkin butter OR favorite recipe
- graham crackers
- spoons
- plates

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Feedings: Fall Foods

- pumpkin (canned OR sugar pumpkins)
- fresh squash (acorn OR butternut)
- apples



- cinnamon
- kitchenware for preferred cooking methods
- bowls
- spoons

Activity: If I Could Be

• costumes

Activity: Favorite Fairy Tales

• fairy tales books

Resource List for Week of 10-23-23 Fairy Tale Friends (0-35 months)

Monday

Activity: Pretending 2023

Vocabulary Card: Pretending 2023

Activity: Feeling Playful

All About Me Card: I feel playful. 2023

Thursday

Activity: Leaf Paintings

ELM Printable: Jewels on the Crown 2023



Material List for the week of 10/30/2023 Fairy Tale Friends (0-35 Months)

Monday

Activity: Pumpkin Patch

- Pumpkin Patch Vocabulary Card (see Resources)
- five miniature pumpkins

Activity: Orange Pumpkins

- orange pumpkins
- plastic magnifiers

Activity: Building with Boxes

- assorted boxes
- packing tape

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Crawling Boxes

- cardboard boxes
- scissors

Activity: Pumpkin Suncatcher, Part 1

- coffee filters
- orange liquid watercolor
- small cups
- paintbrushes



Tuesday

Activity: Being Safe on Halloween

- masks
- unbreakable mirrors

Activity: Costume Fun

• children's Halloween costumes

Activity: Pumpkin Suncatcher, Part 2

- painted coffee filters (see Related Activities)
- brown weaving strips
- green curling ribbon
- scissors
- tape

Activity: Infant: Care Routine: Playtime: Pumpkin Suncatcher

- coffee filters
- brown weaving strips
- green curling ribbon
- orange liquid watercolor
- small cups
- paintbrushes
- scissors
- tape

Activity: My Little Pumpkin 2023

• doll or stuffed animal

Resource List for Week of 10-30-23 Fairy Tale Friends (0-35 months)

Monday

Activity: Pumpkin Patch

Vocabulary Card: Pumpkin Patch 2023