

Themes

Sand & Sea

Young children are naturally drawn to sand and water. In this theme, they will discover ocean life, play with shells, and experiment with water. This theme also touches on caring for the natural world and conservation.

Springtime Sparkles

Enjoy the sounds, sights, scents, textures, and tastes of springtime as you help children explore the beautiful and changing world around them.

Up & Away

Look up with the children to see puffy clouds, birds, bubbles, kites, airplanes, and even hot air balloons. Enjoy a variety of activities centered around things we see in the sky.

Sunny Savanna

Wild animals are a wonder to children. In this theme, they will learn about lions, giraffes, elephants, and more. Math and physical health concepts abound as children explore size, patterns, and different types of movement.

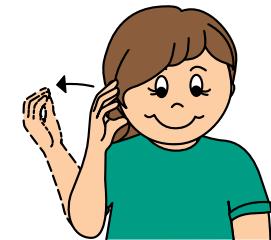
Color/Shape



Sign Language



bee
Touch thumb and index finger together. Touch fingers to cheek; open hand and swat away.



outside
Open hand toward face; close hand as you pull it away in the direction of the exit.

Learn with Me!

Toy Animal Safari

Hide some of your child's toy animals around the house. Invite your child to find them. As your child finds each one, name it, and talk about some of its features. Does it have a long neck? Does it have a trunk? Where are its ears?

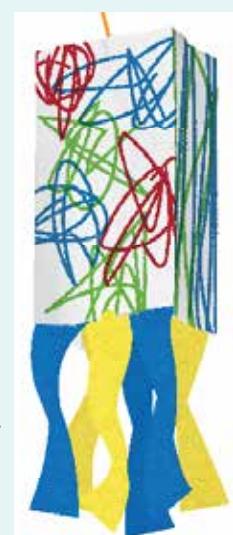
Bath Time Rain

Punch a few holes in a water bottle (*remove lid*) or another plastic container. At bath time, your child can fill the container with water and then watch the "rain" come out.

My Project: Paper Bag Kite

When I bring this project home, we can:

- Notice how I decorated the kite.
- Name the colors of the streamers.
- Fly the kite outside together.



*Graphics are intended to show samples of projects.
Materials may be substituted or used differently.*

FAMILY CONNECTION

Book List

Who is in the Ocean?

by Simon Abbott

The Book of Spring by Agnese Baruzzi

Ten Little Night Stars by Deb Gruelle

Are You Sleeping? by Constanze V. Kitzing

Beach Day by Karen Roosa

Worm Weather by Jean Taft

Hello Sun! by Lala Watkins

Recipe

Bunny Salad

cottage cheese
half of a small banana
blueberries
 $\frac{1}{2}$ red grape

For each salad, start with a scoop of cottage cheese to be the bunny's face. Peel half of a small banana and split it lengthwise. Arrange the pieces as bunny ears.

Add blueberries for eyes and half of a red grape as a nose. That bunny looks good enough to eat! (You can substitute plain or vanilla yogurt for cottage cheese, if preferred.)



Songs & Rhymes

Yellow Daffodil

Yellow, yellow daffodil, dancing in the sun.
Oh yellow, yellow daffodil, you tell me spring has
come.

I can hear a bluebird sing, and hear a robin call.
But yellow, yellow daffodil, I love you most of all.

The Yellow Giraffe

The yellow giraffe is as tall as can be.
His lunch is a bunch of leaves off a tree.
He has a very long neck, and his legs are long too,
And he can run faster than me and you!

Reminders