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FLOWER STAMP ART

SUPPLY LIST

- One two liter plastic bottle and bottlecap
- paint
- paint brushes
- paper

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Paint the bottle cap to use as the center of your flowers. Then stamp away!

Step 2: Paint the bottom of the bottle a different color. This will be for your flower petals.

Step 3: Stamp flower petals with your bottle and then admire your work of garden art!

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GROWING BEANS

SUPPLY LIST

- Dried kidney beans
- Paper towel
- Jar

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Put the dry beans inside a damp paper towel.

Step 2: Put the paper towel inside the jar. Keep the paper towel moist by adding a little water everyday.

Step 3: Check on your beans every day!

Step 4: One week later we had fully sprouted beans! (Do not eat! Kidney bean sprouts are not edible.)

More Fun: Take dry beans and glue them onto a paper with sight words written on it. Great fun and great for fine motor skills!

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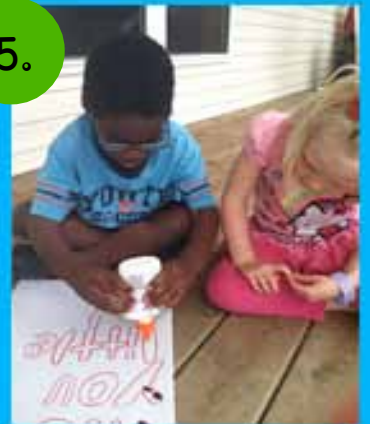
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CARROT RIP ART

SUPPLY LIST

- Orange and green paper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Paper

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Trace your child's hand. We did it three times. Then cut the hands out. Little ones may need help with cutting.

Step 2: Start ripping orange paper into small pieces.

Step 3: Glue the pieces onto the sheet. You can draw a carrot outline so it is easier for little ones to know where to glue.

Step 4: Glue the handprints on the top for the carrot leaves.



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HANDPRINT FLOWERS

SUPPLY LIST

- Paint
- Sponge
- Paint brushes
- Paper

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Dip the flat side of the sponge into green paint to make stems for your flowers.

Step 2: Cover hands in paint to make the flower heads.

Step 3: Be proud of your handprint flower garden!

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MILK JUG SCARECROW

SUPPLY LIST

- Milk jug
- Old shirt and hat
- Tape
- Broom stick
- Hanger
- Markers



INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Tape the hanger to the top of broom stick.

Step 2: Attach the milk jug to the very top with tape. This will be the head of scarecrow.

Step 3: Put the shirt(s) on the hanger to make the body.

Step 4: Draw a fun face on the milk jug "head."

Step 5: Add a hat to the top and place in your garden. Beware birds!

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GROWING CARROTS

Our parents always told us not to play with your food, but we think this is okay. This is a simple experiment to show your kids how a carrot is truly a root and can turn into a growing plant.

SUPPLY LIST

- Carrot, water, and dish

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Cut the top off the carrot (about an inch or two).

Step 2: Put a small amount of water on the plate you are using to grow your plant.



Step 3: Place carrot top on the plate and set in a window.

Step 4: Check on the carrot over the next week and notice how it starts growing a plant!

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WORM HOTEL

SUPPLY LIST

- Empty 2 liter bottle
- Sand
- Potting soil or dirt
- Worms

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Gather supplies and have an adult helper cut the top off the bottle.

Step 2: Layer sand and dirt into the bottle

Step 3: Dig for worms! (Tip: look under rocks.)

Step 4: Add the worms to the bottle and 1/8 cup of water to make the soil moist.

Step 5: Enjoy the worm hotel. Explain how over time the worms will move the sand and dirt around so the layers won't be separate anymore!

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MAKE IT RAIN

Can you make it rain indoors? You bet! Follow this simple experiment to learn how.

SUPPLY LIST

- Tea pot, ice, water, and plate

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Boil water and pour 1/3 of the glass jar. Cover with plate.

Step 2: Let the plate sit on the jar a few minutes.

Step 3: Add ice to the plate and watch closely to see what happens to the jar.

Water will start to trickle down the inside of the jar. It's raining!!

How Does it Work?

Some of the hot water turns into steam and collects on the lid. The ice cools the steam and turns it back into a liquid. When enough liquid collects on the lid it falls as a "rain" drop. This process is known as condensation.

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FLOWER BUTTON ART

SUPPLY LIST

- Buttons
- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Markers
- Craft sticks

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Cut the top of green paper into strips to look like grass.

Step 2: Glue the green paper to the bottom of a larger piece of paper. Then take blue paper and glue to the top. Now you have grass and sky!

Step 3: Glue buttons onto the paper for the center of a sun and the center of your flowers - or anything else you want in your garden. Use markers to draw the stems of your flowers.

Step 4: Use your markers to make flower petals, rays of sun, etc.

Step 5: Either buy craft sticks or eat lots of Popsicles (we opted for eating!) and use the sticks to make a garden fence.



PAINTED GARDEN LANTERN

SUPPLY LIST

- Mini white paper lantern
- Paint
- Paintbrush

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1. Unfold the lantern to create a sphere shape.

Step 2. Slide the metal piece into the lantern. The end will rest on the inside edge of the lantern's bottom hole.

Step 3. Stretch the lantern up until it extends the full length of the metal piece.

Step 4. Hook the metal loops of the lantern around the ridges on both sides of the top of the metal piece.

Step 5. Now paint your lantern. Once it is dry, hang it in the garden!



STUFFED PLAY FOOD

SUPPLY LIST

- Fabric
- Hole punch
- Lacing cord
- Cotton balls

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1. Cut your fabric into food shapes. Make sure there is a front and back to each food.

Step 2. Use the hole punch to punch holes into the front and back of each food. Punch both sides at once so the holes will line up for lacing.

Step 3. Match the front and back shapes and begin lacing the two together with the lacing cord. Stop lacing once you are about 3/4 done.

Step 4. Stuff the cotton into the middle.

Step 5: Now you are ready to play Farmer's Market!

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Terrarium

Discussing the water cycle is a great introduction for this project. What are clouds? What are they made of? What is rain? Why does it rain? Where does the rain go after it falls? These questions will start a discussion about evaporation, condensation, and precipitation.

SUPPLY LIST

- Jar with lid, dirt or potting soil, rocks/gravel, little plants

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Fill the jar with alternating layers of gravel and dirt.

Step 2: Put little plants into the jar, like moss and flowers collected from outdoors.

Step 3: Add some fun rocks. We put a little parrot in it too :)

Step 4: Set the jar in direct sunlight and after a few days you will see the water cycle in action as condensation forms on the jar.

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