

Month: December

Week: 4

Day: 1

Age range: Pre-K

Topics:

- Theme: Christmas in the City
- Shape: Rhombus
- Number: 22
- Color: Turquoise
- Letter: Oo

Foundations: SC1.1, SC1.2, SC5.1, CA3.1, CA3.2, ELA2.1, ELA2.4, ELA3.2, M2.1

Indicators:

CCSS: Reading

- Responds to sounds in the environment
- Blends individual sounds into words

NAEYC Standards

2.A.11 (e) The schedule provide children learning opportunities, experiences, and projects that extend over the course of several days incorporates time for small-group.

Activity:

1. Colored Ice Sensory Ice Play
2. Reading a Book about numbers
3. Alphabet Hunt Shredded Paper sensory

Resources and materials needed:

Colored Ice Sensory:

- Ice Cube Tray
- Blue, green food coloring
- Water
- Baking pan
- 2 containers
- Towel
- Paper towels

Reading a Book: (Suggestions)

- One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish by Dr, Seuss
- Chicka Chicka 123 by Bill Martin & Michael Sampson
- Baby Touch and Feel: Numbers (Baby Touch & Feel) by DK Publishing

Alphabet Hunt:

- Clear bin
- Shredded Newspaper
- Foam or Plastic Letters

Procedures:

Alphabet Hunt: Shred newspaper into plastic bin and put the foam/ plastic letters in the bin. Make sure you mix them up. Have the children to search for the letters through the tub of shredding newspaper (this is where the teachers jump in with the "You found the blue Oo!"...)

Reading a Book: Have children to gather to listen and look at the book. Making sure that the reader engages the children by describing what they are seeing and allowing the children to touch the pictures (if they are able to).



Colored Ice Sensory: Add the coloring to the ice tray before filling with water to get a more even disbursement of color. Use food coloring and try to plan ahead and make colored ice the day before you want to set it out for play, so it is good and solid when they are ready. Fill a container with water then put the container of colored cubes inside the water. Have children either at a table or on the floor with towels. Allow them to splash and play around in the water.

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Week: 4

Day: 2

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Foundations: ELA 2.3, ELA2.4, CA1.1, CA2.1

Indicators:

CCSS: Reading

- Distinguishes print from pictures
- Tells a story while correctly holding a book

NAEYC Standards

2.A.11 (f) The schedule provide children learning opportunities, experiences, and projects that extend over the course of several days and incorporates time for child- initiated activity.

Activity:

1. Music Time
2. Reading a Book about Christmas
3. Shaving Cream Play

Resources and materials needed:

Music Time

- Downloaded Holiday/ Christmas music
- Electronic device

Reading a Book:

- The Night Before Christmas by Clement C. Moore

Shaving Cream Play

- Wax paper
- Shaving cream
- Tape
- Paper Towels

Procedures:

Music Time: Teachers will download holiday music for the listen, sing and dance to. Optional: teachers can also give children different play instruments and play with the songs.

Reading a Book: Have children to gather to listen and look at the book. Making sure that the reader engages the children by describing what they are seeing and allowing the children to touch the pictures (if they are able to).

Shaving Cream Play: Tape down on the floor or table the wax paper. Give each child a small amount of shaving cream and have them to play in the shaving cream. Demonstrate how they can make their letters, numbers, and shapes in the shaving cream. Have paper towels handy for clean up.

Month: December

Week: 4

Day: 3

Age range: Pre-K

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Foundations: SC5.1, M1.1, M1.2, M1.3, M4.2

Indicators:

CCSS: Measurement and Data

- Sequences events
- Explains how something may change over time

CCSS: Counting, Cardinality and Operations

- Uses numbers to compare
- Counts a number of objects up to 10

NAEYC Standards

2.B.01 (a) Children have varied opportunities to engage throughout the day with teaching staff who are attentive and responsive to them.

Activity:

1. Simple matching puzzle game
2. Rainbow Hop Letter Sounds Game
3. Flashcards

Resources and materials needed:

Simple matching puzzle game

- Cardboard
- Colored paper
- Pen
- Scissors
- Items to trace around (cookie cutter etc)

Flashcards

- Number flashcards up to 22 with pictures

Rainbow Hop Letter Sounds Game

- Different color construction paper
- Black marker
- Dice
- Circle template

Procedures:

Simple matching puzzle game: Simply trace some basic shapes onto the cardboard and again on a separate colored piece of paper. Cut out the shapes on the colored paper and they become the shape puzzle pieces. How to teach children about shapes: Children can learn about shapes through engaging in activities and listening to the language used to describe them. It's always a good idea to start slowly and introduce the basic shapes (circle, square, triangle etc) before introducing any of the more complex shapes (oval, oblong, rhombus etc) when they are ready.



Rainbow Hop Letter Sounds Game: Use a cereal bowl to trace 2 circles on each sheet of paper. They just fit on the paper. Use 2 sheets of paper for each color, so you can have 4 circles of each color plus add two more circles. Put one set of circles in rainbow order and repeat this 3 more times. Write one letter on each circle. Lay the circles out on the floor in the shape of a rainbow. The child should stand right in front of the letter “a” and toss the die (dice) to find out how many spaces to move. They can walk over each letter or hop. Once, they have moved that many spaces, they should name the letter and tell you the sound it makes.

Flashcards: Show children the card and say the number and count the items on the card. When you count you can sing count or be silly when you count so that way the children will not lose focus.

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Indicators:

CCSS: Measurement and Data

- Follows directions involving location
- Identifies location

NAEYC Standards

2.B.01 (b) Children have varied opportunities to engage throughout the day with teaching staff who facilitate their social competence.

Activity

1. Sensory Bags (With the Rhombus)
2. Fingerprint Christmas Lights

Resources and materials needed:

Sensory Bags

- Baby oil gel
- Sandwich bag
- Tape
- Turquoise buttons
- Dry erase marker

Fingerprint Christmas Lights

- Washable paint
- White paper
- Black marker
- Paper towel
- Paper plate



Procedures:

Sensory Bags: Place in a bag baby oil gel and buttons. Seal bag and draw with a dry erase marker a shape and tape bag to the floor or table. Demonstrate that you want children to put all the buttons in the shape. If they are not able to grasp this concept, still show them how to do this and then have them to play with the bag.

Fingerprint Christmas Lights: First take a black sharpie and draw a line with swirls in it. Then draw little squares along the line spaced out to be the bottom of the bulb part. Have the child dip their pointer finger in different color paints on the plate and push them right above the black squares.

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Indicators:

CCSS: Reading

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NAEYC Standards

2.B.01 (c) Children have varied opportunities to engage throughout the day with teaching staff who facilitate their ability to learn through interacting with other.

Activity:

1. Reading a Book (Christmas Related)
2. Holiday Photo Wreaths

Resources and materials needed:

Reading a Book: (Christmas Book)

- Teacher's Choice

Holiday Photo Wreath

- Circle template
- Card stock (white)
- Scissors
- Pencils
- Small bows
- Hole punch
- Photos of the children
- Green paint
- Holiday stickers
- Ribbons
- Glue
- Paper towel



Procedures:

Reading a Book: Have children to gather to listen and look at the book. Making sure that the reader engages the children by describing what they are seeing and allowing the children to touch the pictures (if they are able to).

Holiday Photo Wreaths: Teachers will need to have photos printed of each child and cut them out into a circle. Draw a circle on the card stock and cut it out and then cut another a circle in the middle to make a window for the picture. Allow children to use their index fingers with green paint and paint the wreath. Allow paint to dry and then allow children to put stickers on the



wreath. Glue picture to the wreath and punch a hole in the upper center of the wreath and string a ribbon through it and tie it. Place a bow on the wreath.