



Month: August Week: 2 Subject: Approaches to Play & Learning

Day 1	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Fishing for Fun Number: 5 Letter: Xx Color: Silver Shape: Heart	APL1.2 Demonstrate interest and curiosity as a learner APL3.1 Demonstrate development of sustained attention and persistence
Indicators	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May grasp or mouth a ring and watch you place it.	May attempt to place rings on the post and try again.
Activity: Ring Play Present a ring stacker and let infants handle one ring at a time. Model sliding a ring onto the post, then pause to invite their try. Offer gentle coaching “turn... push” and celebrate every attempt. Repeat with another ring to encourage sticking with the task.		
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ring stacker with post 3-5 large rings 	Key Vocabulary: ring, on, push	Support:



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	Theme: Fishing for Fun Number: 5 Letter: Xx Color: Silver Shape: Heart		APL3.1 Demonstrate development of sustained attention and persistence APL2.1 Demonstrate development of flexible thinking during play	
Indicators	Younger Infants		Older Infants	
	May explore a single piece by touching or tapping.		May try to fit a shape (including heart) into its space.	
Activity: Shapes Puzzle Offer a chunky puzzle with a few shapes, including a heart. Model how to turn and line up a piece, then let infants try. Prompt with simple cues, “turn... match,” and give time for problem solving. Praise the effort as much as the success to build persistence.				
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none">Shapes puzzle (include heart)		Key Vocabulary: shape, heart, match		Support:



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<p>Activity: Peek-a-Boo with Scarf</p> <p>Hide your face behind your hands or a lightweight scarf, then reveal with “peek-a-boo!” Wait briefly to build anticipation, then invite infants to try. Take turns so each child experiences hiding and revealing. Name emotions, “surprised!” to link play and social connection.</p>					
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lightweight scarf (or teacher's hands) 	Key Vocabulary: peek, boo, hide Support:				



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Day 4	Topic(s)		Foundation(s)	
	Theme: Fishing for Fun Number: 5 Letter: Xx Color: Silver Shape: Heart		APL1.1 Demonstrate initiative and self-direction APL2.1 Demonstrate development of flexible thinking during play	
Indicators	Younger Infants		Older Infants	
	May pat water and watch ripples.		May scoop, pour, and try new ways to move water.	

Activity: **Water Sensory Bin**

Set out a shallow bin with a small amount of warm water and a few cups. Invite infants to explore with their hands first, then model scooping and pouring. Encourage trying different containers and motions. Use words that describe actions to support exploration and initiative.

Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shallow water bin • Small plastic cups/scoops 	Key Vocabulary: splash, pour, wet	Support:
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Day 5	Topic(s)		Foundation(s)	
	Theme: Fishing for Fun Number: 5 Letter: Xx Color: Silver Shape: Heart		APL3.1 Demonstrate development of sustained attention and persistence APL2.1 Demonstrate development of flexible thinking during play	
Indicators	Younger Infants		Older Infants	
	May press, pat, or poke dough with support.		May roll, pinch, or try tools to change the dough.	

Activity: **Playdough Squish**

Offer a small ball of safe playdough on a tray inside a ziplock bag. Model simple actions like press, roll, poke, and invite infants to try each one. Encourage older infants to use a short roller or cup to flatten and lift. Celebrate creative attempts and describe the changing shapes to build flexible thinking.

Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe playdough • Small roller or cup (optional) • Ziplock 	Key Vocabulary: squish, roll, soft	Support:
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