




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

Day 1	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Rainbow of Fruits Shape: Octagon Number: 8 Color: Purple Letter: Bb	APL1.1 Demonstrate initiative and self-direction
Indicators	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May grab or mouth rings with support.	May attempt to place rings on a post.

Activity: Stacking Rings

Provide infants with colorful stacking rings. Encourage them to explore by touching, mouthing, or banging the rings together. Model stacking one or two rings while narrating what you're doing ("On it goes- one, two!"). Older infants may try to imitate by placing rings on the post or handing them to you.

Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stacking rings 	Key Vocabulary: ring, stack, on	Support: 
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Day 2	Topic(s) Theme: Rainbow of Fruits Shape: Octagon Number: 8 Color: Purple Letter: Bb	Foundation(s) APL3.1 Demonstrate development of sustained attention and persistence
Indicators	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May watch as the ball is dropped.	May pick up and drop balls into the bin repeatedly.
Activity: Drop Ball in Bin Show infants a soft ball and a bin or basket. Demonstrate dropping the ball into the bin, saying “in!” each time. Encourage infants to try it themselves, helping younger infants guide their hands. Older infants will enjoy repeating the activity many times to see the cause and effect.		
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soft balls • Small basket or bin 	Key Vocabulary: ball, in, out, drop	Support:



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Day 3	Topic(s) Theme: Rainbow of Fruits Shape: Octagon Number: 8 Color: Purple Letter: Bb	Foundation(s) APL2.1 Demonstrate development of flexible thinking during play
Indicators	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May watch as the scarf hides and reappears.	May pull the scarf off themselves or the puppet.
Activity: Peekaboo with Purple Scarf Use a soft purple scarf to play peekaboo with infants. Place it gently over your face and say, “Where am I?” before revealing yourself with a smile. Allow older infants to try pulling the scarf off or covering their own face. This playful game encourages problem-solving and flexible thinking.		
Resources/Materials • Purple scarf	Key Vocabulary: peekaboo, where, purple	Support:



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Day 4	Topic(s)		Foundation(s)		
	Theme: Rainbow of Fruits Shape: Octagon Number: 8 Color: Purple Letter: Bb		APL1.2 Demonstrate interest and curiosity as a learner		
Indicators	Younger Infants		Older Infants		
	May look at and touch fruit pictures.		May point or pat a chosen fruit when asked.		
Activity: Fruit Picture Exploration					
Spread large laminated fruit pictures on the floor during tummy time or seated play. Encourage infants to look closely, touch, or pat the pictures. Say the fruit names clearly and repeat them several times. Older infants may respond by pointing to a specific fruit when prompted (“Where’s the banana?”).					
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none">Laminated fruit picture cards		Key Vocabulary: fruit, apple, banana		Support:	



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Day 5	Topic(s) Theme: Rainbow of Fruits Shape: Octagon Number: 8 Color: Purple Letter: Bb	Foundation(s) APL3.1 Demonstrate sustained attention and persistence
Indicators	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May show excitement when a familiar activity is repeated.	May try the activity independently.
<p>Activity: Repeat Favorite Activity</p> <p>Observe which activities infants enjoyed most during the week (stacking rings, ball drop, peekaboo, or picture cards). Repeat the most engaging one for each child or the group. Repetition helps infants strengthen skills and gain confidence. Celebrate their persistence and curiosity as they explore the familiar activity again.</p>		
Resources/Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Materials from the chosen favorite activity 	Key Vocabulary: play, more, fun	Support: