

Curriculum for Toddlers: Creations and Innovations

Take Home Opportunities

A sampling of learning experiences, in addition to the Discoveries-to-Go, that provide ways to engage families and connect them to what children are learning.

Skill and Concept Focus

An easy way to see a sample of learning experiences that focus on beginning concepts of colors, shapes, science/math, and print awareness.

Subtopic 1: Some Creations Move

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Rock and Ride	13
Roll Paint	13

Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Science/Math	Print Awareness
Spinning Wheels	11				
Wheel Tracks	13				
Let's Drive	13				
Roll Paint	13				

Subtopic 2: Some Things Make Work Easier and Play More Fun

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Stencil Art	19
Marker-Mobiles	19

Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Science/Math	Print Awareness
Mix and Measure	18				
Stencil Art	19				
Let's Be Chefs	19				
Stop and Count to 2	21				

Subtopic 3: Some Things Create Sound and Help Communicate

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Picture Postcards	23
Here Comes the Mail	25
Musical Masterpieces	25

Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Science/Math	Print Awareness
Picture Postcards	23				
Here Comes the Mail	25				
Musical Masterpieces	25				
Spin and Stomp	26				

Subtopic 4: Some Things Decorate Our World

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Wet or Dry?	30
Window Wonders	30
Terrific T-Shirts	31
Me Magnets	33

Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Science/Math	Print Awareness
Painted Toast	30				
Wet or Dry?	30				
Window Wonders	30				
Me Magnets	33				

Expanded Interest Area Ideas

Music – Using real and toy musical instruments, pots, pans, bells, coffee cans, plastic bottles, and other containers, transform an area of your room into an exciting musical stage where children can perform and explore. (Pling, Ding, Thud, p. 24; Changing Sounds, p. 24; Dance to the Radio, p. 26; Chime Ball, p. 27)

Wheels – Discover the fun of wheels through a child's eyes – they spin, move forward and backward, and can be smooth, bumpy, etc. Create excitement for children with an assortment of toy vehicles and allow them to explore the different types of transportation and wheels all around us. (Spinning Wheels, p. 11; Wheels Galore, p. 11; Wheel Tracks, p. 13; The Wheels on the Bus, p. 14; Decorate Riding Toys, p. 32)