

Curriculum for Twos: Light and Dark E-Z Planner

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 simple concepts of colors, shapes, numbers, and language/letters.

Subtopic 1: Exploring Light and Dark

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Spilt Milk	13
Coffee Filter Fun	16
Draw and Shine	16
Create a Collage	17
Chalk Discoveries	17

Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Numbers	Language/ Letters
Sun and Moon	12				
Clouds in the Sky	13				
Shades of Shapes	15				
Soccer Fun	20				
Rainbow Walk	21				

Subtopic 2: Why Is Light Important?

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Window Sprouts	26
Paint and Peek	28
Layered Art	29
Paint and Print	29
Little Seeds	31

Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Numbers	Language/ Letters
Looking with Lights	24				
Signals and Signs	24				
Tunnels of Light	30				
Bend Toward the Light	31				
Who Do I See?	32				

Subtopic 3: Creating with Light and Dark

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Setting Sun	36
Mirror Prints	40
Tiptop Tape	41
Light Cups	41
Chalk Blending	41

Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Numbers	Language/ Letters
Chalk It Up	36				
Light and Dark Pairs	37				
Ice Paints	38				
Clipping Clothespins	39				
Light/Dark Bowling	43				

Subtopic 4: In the Dark

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Learning Experience	Page Number
Peek-a-Boo Pebbles	50
Sparkling Art	52
Dark on Dark	53
Paper Moons	55
Tossing Together	56

Skill and Concept Focus

Learning Experience	Page Number	Colors	Shapes	Numbers	Language/ Letters
Stores at Night	48				
Find the Moon	49				
Digging Down	51				
Dark Rubbings	52				
Stars and Scoops	56				

Expanded Interest Area Ideas

Nighttime Fun – Fill an area of your room with sleeping bags, pillows, blankets, teddy bears, flashlights, pajamas, the book *Goodnight Moon*, and other bedtime materials. This topic provides the opportunity to discuss nightly routines and to explore the fun of light and dark. (Pajama Party, p. 46; Putting on PJ's, p. 53; Going to Bed, p. 56)

The Sun, Moon, and Stars – Using pictures and displays of the sun, moon, and stars, transform an area of your room into the sky. This topic provides an excellent framework for a discussion about the many objects found in the sky. (Where's the Sun?, p. 12; Clouds in the Sky, p. 13; Rainbow Dance, p. 19; Find the Moon, p. 49)