



Book Activity Sheet

Let's Go Visiting

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A young child reviews colors and numbers while visiting with animals.

Things to Talk About:

Animals: The child in the story encounters several types of animals. Ask your child to tell you which animal is his or her favorite. Then have your child explain why that type of animal is his or her favorite. Each animal also has its own habitat. Ask your child a question such as, "Where do the ducklings live?" or "Where do the kittens live?"

Numbers: This book features the numbers 1-6. In this number pattern, the number of animals increases by one each time a new animal is introduced. Change the pattern and have your child try counting animals by twos or threes.

Colors: Each animal in the story is a different color. After talking about all the colors, ask your child to tell you his or her favorite color. Take a color walk with your child. Name a color and then have your child find something during the walk that is the same color. For example, you could say, "Let's find things that are blue." Your child might point out that his or her jacket is blue or that the sky is blue.

Activities to Do:

1. Math Muffin Tins

You Will Need: Cupcake paper liners, felt tip marker, poker chips, beans, or small items the kids can count and sort

What to Do: Help young children recognize numbers, count, and sort during this activity. Using a marker, an adult will write the numbers 1-6 on the cupcake paper liners. Place one cupcake liner with a number on it in one of the six cups in the muffin tin. Then the kids will count and sort the correct number of items that match the number written on each liner. The children can bring their muffin tins up to an adult to have the adult make sure that the child has the right number of items in each of the six muffin cups.


(Source: <http://www.preschoolrainbow.org/counting-theme.htm>)

2. The Color Pokey

You Will Need: Color coded labels (green, blue, red, yellow, orange, purple, etc...), knowledge of the original tune and lyrics to "The Hokey Pokey," singing voices

What to Do: Most kids love to do the Hokey Pokey! You can alter the song to include different colors. Purchase color coded labels in various colors (small circles) and put a different color on each child's hand and foot and on other body parts. Then do the Color Pokey. Change each verse to include a different color. Ex: "You put red in and take red out. You put red in and you shake it all about..."

(Source: <http://www.perpetualpreschool.com>)

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