

Individual Activity Lesson Plan

Date: Wednesday 10th June 2020

Activity Title: Egg Carton Tortoise

Learning Intention:

- Explore and experiment with colours and see how they change when being mixed.

Links to EYFS: Expressive Arts and Design:

- Experiments with marks.
- Explores colour and how colours can be changed.
- Realises tools can be used for a purpose.

Resources:

- Egg Carton
- Green paint (white, blue and yellow to create different shades of green) and paint brushes
- Green pompoms
- Green card paper
- Googly eyes
- PVA glue
- Scissors
- Pipe cleaners (optional)

Activity Overview:

Experiment with different shades of green and create a tortoise using an egg carton.

Key vocabulary:

Follow, instructions, paint, glue, dark, light (colour)

ACTIVITY IMPLEMENTATION (including key questions)

Introduction:

- Recap the story of the day *The Foolish Tortoise* and talk about the main character.
- *What does the tortoise look like? What colour is he?
- *Does he have a tail?
- *How is the shell different from the rest of his body?

Main Activity:

- Explain to your child that he/she is going to create a tortoise using an egg carton.
- *Which part of the tortoise's body will the egg carton be?
- Show your child the *Picture Instructions* at the end of the lesson plan as an example of what he/she will be creating and what it might look like.
- Gather the resources listed above.
- First, using scissors, cut the egg carton into individual 'shells'.
- Invite your child to paint the shells green. Let him/her experiment with creating various shades of green as all tortoises are of different green. (Tip: Adding white/yellow/blue paint will make green lighter/brighter/darker.)
- *I wonder how you can make a darker/lighter green.
- *What colour paint do you need to add to make it brighter?
- Leave your painted shells to dry thoroughly.
- Using scissors and a green card paper, cut out the tortoise's body (see picture 4 below for an example).
- Finally, assemble and glue your shell, cut out body, pompon and googly eyes to form a tortoise.
- *What colour shall we use for a tortoise?
- *Would you like to add anything more?



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*What do we need to do next?

Challenge:

- Use pipe cleaners for the tortoise's legs and tail.
- Click on the following link and watch a great story featuring one clever tortoise: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SUNgzUtFr7Q> (*The Tortoise and the Hare*)

Additional ways to support your child:

Make your own tortoise first for your child to see what is expected from him/her. Guide him/her throughout the whole process, verbalising what you are doing and offer as much help as he/she needs.

Extension:

Allow your child to explore other colours and see how they change once he/she mixes them. Suggest for him/her to create brown, purple or different shades.

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