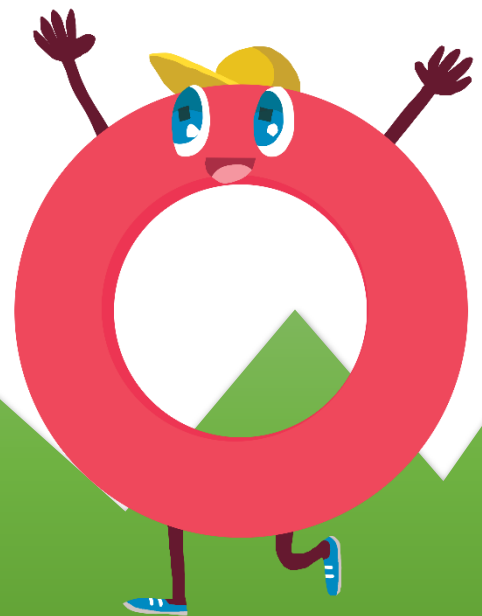


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Infant & Playgroup



Shapes Around Me!



What to prepare:

1. Cloth cushion book and rattle ball
2. Suggested items that are safe for children to use:
 - cotton balls
 - clothes pegs
 - bottle caps
 - plastic spoons
 - ice-cream sticks
 - ribbons
 - rubber bands
 - blocks
 - handkerchiefs

What we are learning:

1. Explore the unique feature/s of the different shapes
2. Builds bonding time between child and parent by finding shapes around the house



Discover the uniqueness of different shapes by providing your child an opportunity to observe and discover shapes in their familiar environment – home.

What you can do with your child:

1. Have your child look out for shapes around the house.
2. Introduce one type of shape at a time by pointing at an item.
For example,
 - circle: clock/ button/ rattle ball
 - square: cloth cushion book/ floor tile
 - rectangle: book/ tissue box/ cupboard
3. Encourage your child to touch the texture of the shape as you introduce its unique feature/s.
For example, "Look at this book. It is a square. It has 4 corners. Let's count the corners together."
4. Continue to show your child other items of the same shape.
5. Repeat procedures 2-4 with a new shape another day.
6. Collect items from the house to form the shape that you have introduced to your child or shapes found in the cloth book.



Tips for parents:

Encourage your child to observe the shape as he/ she feels the texture through the senses. Talk to your child about what both of you have observed. Use songs/ rhymes to enhance the learning experience.

Amazing Shapes

Support your child's aesthetics and creative expression by encouraging him/ her to create an artwork. Invite your child to talk about the artwork that was created.

What to prepare:

1. Paint
2. Apron
3. Paper
4. Toilet paper tubes

What we are learning:

1. Developing fine motor skills
2. Share about his/ her artwork

What you can do with your child:

1. Introduce the materials that will be used for the art and craft activity.
2. Use toilet paper tubes as stamps. Demonstrate by folding the corners to form different shapes. *(For an older child, invite him/ her to fold the corners of the toilet paper tubes by themselves or with some guidance.)*
3. Invite your child to use his/ her finger to trace the shape formed on the toilet paper tube.
4. Put on the apron for your child.
5. Allow your child to choose the shape and colour he/ she prefers.
6. Fill one side of the toilet paper tube with paint and stamp it on the paper.
7. Have your child fill the paper with different shapes and colours.
8. Allow the artwork to dry before inviting your child to talk about it.



Tips for parents:

Guide your child along with the activity step by step. Encourage your child to explore by pressing, squeezing or crushing the toilet paper tubes to form different shapes for the stamping activity above.