

games

What to do

1. Have the children decorate the bottom of each plate.
2. Staple the edges of plates together with the decorated sides facing out.
3. Take the children outside and invite them to throw their new "frisbees."

More to do

Games: See how far the children can throw their handmade frisbees, then mark the spot and measure the distance. Set up a series of targets, mark their location with little flags, then play a round of Frisbee Golf in teams. Set up small plastic bottles like bowling pins, then form teams and play Frisbee Bowling. Hold Frisbee Relays.

Math: Invite each child to measure and record his or her own distance in the Frisbee Throw. They can design a fun chart to record their first, second, and third attempts in the Frisbee Throw.

Related books

The Magic Moonberry Jump Ropes by Dakari Hru

Shake It to the One That You Love Best by Cheryl Warren Mattox

Original song

"*This is the Way We Fling the Frisbee*" (sing to the tune of "Here We go Round the Mulberry Bush")

This is the way we fling the frisbee,

fling the frisbee,

fling the frisbee.

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on a (sunny, windy, etc.) morning.

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Rainbow Squares

3+

Materials

Paper
Copy machine
Dice
Crayons

What to do

1. Ahead of time, prepare a five-by-five grid with twenty-five squares on a piece of paper and

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- make several copies.
2. When you are ready to begin, have the children roll one dice. Ask them to choose a crayon and color the correct number of squares on the grid. Repeat the process until all the squares are filled.

More to do

Math: On a larger grid, have older children use two die and color in the sum of the two numbers. Or, have two children each use their own dice and place a bean or button on the correct number of squares until the grid is covered; count to see which player has the most beans on the grid.

More art: Cut the squares apart and paste them onto colored paper in a design, creating a mosaic. Cut the grid into strips and use them for paper weaving.

Related books

How the Sky's Housekeeper Wore Her Scarves by Patricia Hooper

Planting a Rainbow by Lois Ehlert

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Grocery Bag Treasure Map

4+

Materials

A special object
Paper grocery bags
Scissors
Markers
Ribbon cut in 1' (30 cm) lengths
Tape

What to do

1. Divide the children into two groups. Ask the first group to hide a special object (the treasure) in the classroom while the second group is not looking.
2. Working with the first group, cut down the sides and around the bottom of a paper grocery bag. Flatten to form a large rectangle. Trim edges and corners to make the bag look like an authentic map.
3. Invite the children in the first group to draw the classroom, then mark an "x" where the treasure is hidden. They may need your help with this.
4. Turn the map over. Tape the ribbon about 2" (5 cm) from the edge of the map at the midpoint of its short side. Roll the map up and tie it closed with the ribbon.