

Learning at  
Home

with  
**little  
Sprouts**



*Fall in the Garden*

# Infant Activities

## Citizen

Sing and play “Bumble Bee, Bumble Bee...” See the resource page for a video! You might use a little bit of yellow felt or paper to create a finger puppet bumble bee!

<https://kheineck.wordpress.com/2013/05/10/flannel-friday-2/>

## Mind

Sensory Fabric Reuse clothing items that your baby has outgrown, that is stained or otherwise could not be used again. Try to find fabric pieces that may have varying textures. Cut them into 5 inch by 5 inch squares. Place the squares into a canister or recycled tissue box. Have baby pull them out and explore the different textures!

## Scholar

Where’s the ball? Hide and Seek: Use a cup to place a small pom pom under. You can also use a small object to place under the cup if you don’t have pom poms. Ask your infant, “Where’s the pom pom?” and then lift the cup. Place the pom pom or small object in front of your infant as you talk about it’ characteristics, (“yellow pom pom, soft, hard, round, bouncy, What do you think?”).

## Body

Try some foot print and hand print art with your baby! Little footprints and handprints can sometimes look like insects or flowers!

# Toddler Activities

## Citizen:

How are You Feeling? Before starting activity, use blue, red, and yellow to draw faces onto paper plates or paper circles. The yellow face should be happy, the blue face should show sadness, and the red face should show an angry face. Ask your toddler which face feels like theirs. When they pick the happy, sad, or angry face, ask them to draw them a picture using that color. Mind Using an array of objects from home, create a color sorting game! (Recycled pouch caps can be great for this!) Start by choosing a few bowls or cups and labeling each one with a color Scholar Letter Collage: Using a large piece of paper, outline your toddlers name or the first letter of their name. Ask toddler to trace or overlap the letter or name from materials at home (tooth picks, leaves, bits of paper, bits of tape, cereal) Body Make your own bean-bag toss! Recycle a few old socks and stuff them with dried beans or rice. Tie them off and set them aside. Cut a few hold in a cardboard box. Have your child decorate the box. Can you toss the bean bags into the holes?

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# Preschool Activities

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Creating Faces Using Rocks :Collect medium sized rocks from outside and then bring them inside to be washed. Using paint from home or permanent markers, let your preschooler paint facial features on each rock (eyes, mouth, nose, ears, ect.,). Make sure to create a few different kinds of mouths (smile, open mouth, frown). After paint dries, encourage your preschooler to show you happy face, sad face, excited face, and angry face. Ask your preschooler what they'll need to switch out to show the different kinds of emotions.

## Mind

Let's Make a Tower! Use plastic cups, cardboard tubes and tape. Try to build a tall tower. Your tower will fall down as you are learning, this is good! Encourage your child to try new strategies. How tall can you make your tower?

## Scholar

Can you turn the first letter of your name into something that begins with that letter? Can Alice turn "A" into an alligator? Can Damen turn "D" into a dinosaur? Explore the first letter of your child's name with some bits of paper and see what they can create!

## Body

Fine Motor Collage: Using old magazines, encourage your preschooler to pick out pictures and words/letters that they enjoy. Using scissors/ let your preschooler cut out pictures, glue and paste them onto a large piece of paper. Scissors can be tricky! You could also rip them carefully.

# Resources and Links:

Music Class with Ms. Lindsey

<https://youtu.be/LuVEYGgiM84>

Making Playdough

<https://youtu.be/W8UQssbAwnM>

Story Time

<https://youtu.be/KhSFtg7A78s>