



What Will My Child Learn?

TUESDAY

Infant Activity

Exploring an umbrella! Babies can be nervous the first time they see an umbrella open, so remember to do so gently. Tell baby, oh no, I think it might rain! then slowly open the umbrella and hold it over your head. Hold the umbrella over baby's head and play a game of peek-a-boo. You might have a spot to hang the umbrella so that it can roll or crawl to the area and examine the umbrella from below. Open and close the umbrella a few times and say 'open' or 'close' as you do so.

Toddler Activity

Rainbow Writing: Tape together three crayons of three different colors, making sure that all three tips will touch the paper at the same time. Find the largest piece of paper you can- or maybe even a flattened cardboard box. Help your toddler to make sweeping curves on the paper. Let your rainbows shine!

Preschool Activity

Let's have a wind-powered race! Cut a few pieces of paper about 2-3 inches around. Invite your child to decorate their tiny vehicle with markers or pencils. Create a starting line and finish line at each end of a table with strips of tape. Have all players line up their flat paper on the starting line. We will power our vehicles with wind energy, so we will need drinking straws to direct our wind, our breath. On the starting mark, everyone should blow puffs of air through their straws, directing the wind at the flat paper and seeing which vehicle will reach the finish line! Was that tricky? I wonder why... maybe try crumpling the paper into more of a ball shape. Go back to the starting line and start again. What was different about this race? When using wind power, was it better for the vehicle to be low and flat or taller and wide? Why?