



Lesson: Leaf Crafts

Description: Taking advantage of nature for projects can be fun for everyone. These projects use leaves collected for a few different art projects.

Materials: Leaves, Paper, Paint (acrylic or water colour), Popsicle Sticks, Googly Eyes, Things to Decorate (Glitter, Feathers, etc.)

Additional Resources:

Monster Leaf Puppet Directions - <https://www.messylittlemonster.com/2017/10/monster-leaf-puppet-kids-craft.html>

Leaf Painting Ideas - <https://www.thebestideasforkids.com/leaf-painting/>

<https://www.wikihow.com/Make-Leaf-Prints>

Kids Autumn Leaf Song - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tPm7JTGIHcA>

POTENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES – You DO NOT need to do these all at once. Remember you can complete the activity multiple times and focus on the same or different learning opportunities each time you do the activity. Look below or brainstorm your own learning opportunities and select a few to focus on when working with your learner.

| Requests | Comments | Directions | Possible Behavioural Tolerance Opportunities | Other Learning Opportunities |
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| -I want/I don't want | - It's _____ (+ colour, shape, etc.) | -Responds to name | -Responding to "yes" or "no" to different things they might want/not want or need/not need | - Independently setting up or cleaning materials |
| -Paint /Paintbrush | -It looks _____(beautiful) | -Help me | -Hearing "no" and accepting an alternative | -Imitation with materials |
| -Paper | -It smells _____ | -Get the _____ | -Checking schedule to transition to art activity | -Collecting the leaves on a walk outside |
| -Colour of paint | -I like/ I don't like | -Put the _____ here | -Help request | -Counting the leaves |
| -Leaf | -It feels _____ | - Open/Close | -Waiting for their turn to paint or press a leaf/ Taking turns with a peer- | -Identifying the different types of leaves (e.g. maple) |
| -Water Cup | - I have _____(type of leaf, quantity of leaves, etc.) | -Paint on the _____right/left/ top/ bottom | | -Making the leaf painting into a book mark or card and delivering it to someone as a present |
| -Popsicle Stick | | | | -Playing with the puppets in creative play |
| -Glue | | | | |
| -Decorations (Glitter, Googly eyes, feathers, etc.) | | | | |
| -Go Outside (to get the leaves) | | | | |