

EC4 Weekly Activities

Literacy

1. Handwriting practice. Practice all the frog jump letters we have been learning during our zoom classes. F, E, L, P, B, R, N, M. We will keep adding letters so practice as many as you can. Draw pictures of objects that correspond to these letters. There are so many that are connected to Pesach.
2. Listen to the ma nishtana and practice for the Seder.
3. Help your child notice labeled food items or objects around the house and identify the letter and sound. For example, look at the matza box, what letter does matza start with?

Language

1. Have your child dictate the story of Pesach beginning with the Jews enslavement in Egypt, Baby Moshe, on to the ten plagues until the exodus from Egypt. I will take dictation of the story and compile it into a class book.
2. Illustrate a scene of the Pesach story and have your child tell you about it. Write their dictation down.

Science

1. Measuring grape juice-purple water, measuring cups/cups and dispensers (anything you have in your kitchen that can pour and fill)
2. Brick building in ice cube trays-Use a sand/water combination building and put it in an ice cube tray or if you have clay, you can fill the tray with clay and allow it to harden. Take out and build! (notice the sand recipe is harder to build with-the Jewish people were given very hard materials to work with.)
3. Yeast experiment: 1) What's the difference between a challah and a matzah? Challah has yeast that makes it rise. Do this experiment to see what yeast does. <https://sciencebob.com/blow-up-a-balloon-with-yeast/>
4. Make two matzah dough recipes: Each one should contain 1 cup flour, half cup water. Add yeast to the water in one of them. Guess/hypothesize what will happen to each batch of dough and discuss the results.

Math/manipulatives

1. Triangle fun-Search for, create, count, measure triangles around the house. This can be an inspiration to measure anything around the house and compare. Ask your child, how many triangles can you find? Which ones are taller/shorter?
2. Build a pyramid-Using plastic cups, stack them in layers. How tall can you build it without it collapsing? Make a triangle using legos-Start with 5 at the bottom all the way to 1 at the top.
3. Build a scene from Pesach story- Use pretend people/blocks/LEGO/fabric/sticks/sand. Some ideas are Moshe guiding the Jewish people out or Jewish slaves working hard or baby Moshe in a basket.
4. Practice handwriting numbers 1 through 10.
5. Using objects, challenge your child to do simple addition activities. Make an addition sign to use to familiarize them with this symbol.
6. Lego Pesach scenes-Build a pyramid or crossing of the sea scene

Art

1. Pyramid inspired painting-Show your child a picture of a pyramid and challenge him/her to draw one.
2. Pyramid inspired art-Use popsicle sticks and glue to create one on a paper.
3. Splitting sea/matzah inspired drawing/painting-Have an image displayed alongside drawing/painting tools.
4. Make your own matzah-Cut round circles and use a lego board or your driveway under the paper and brown pastels/crayons to draw over the paper to create a matzah. You can use these matzahs to cut and match up $\frac{1}{2}$ and whole matzahs
5. 4 cups painting-picture for inspiration and purple/gray (silver) paint or cup out cups from cardboard to trace or stamp.
6. Frogs head band-If you don't have green paper have your child color it green. Cut one long strip for the head. The kids can do all the cutting after

you draw the shapes-shapes of legs, circles for the eyes, red tongue. Have kids glue it all together and jump around to the song "one morning when Pharaoh awoke in his bed" Song-<https://youtu.be/kKeKMoW2tU4>

7. Watercolor salt painting-Paint with watercolor and salt to create a cool effect.
8. Painting with sand-Paint with glue and add sand on top. Can you make a triangular pyramid using the glue and sand?
9. Can you draw Moshe? Moshe had long clothes, a beard and a staff. Snake drawing-The staff turned into a snake. Draw a snake with a long body.

Sensory/fine motor

1. River Nile scene-Sand trays w/ foil to separate blue water
2. Footprint painting-Dip feet into paint and walk on paper crossing the sea (easiest to do outside)
3. Splitting of the sea scene with clay, blue tablecloth, people and rocks or try it with soapy foam in a tray/pool or in a bubble bath!
4. Matzah baking-Can you make a matzah? Can you find something to roll the dough with? Clay/playdough, rolling pins, forks, matzah bakery pictures. You can make your own dough using 1 cup flour and ½ cup water.
5. Making grape juice provocation-Water, purple watercolor, jars/cups, large tray and basters or droppers.
6. Sand and frogs-Trays of sand or clay w/ tweezers, frogs and bugs, tree stumps
7. Cleaning the house-Spray bottles and towels , wash the car in your bathing suit!

Dramatic play

1. Baby moshe-Blue tablecloth for river, plants, babies/baskets
2. The seder-seder plate, setting the table for the seder. You can practice this in your playroom