



CONNECT FOUR at-home activities

CAN YOU COMPLETE FOUR ACTIVITIES AND "CONNECT FOUR?"

ACTIVE GAMES

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ALL OF THESE ACTIVITIES CAN BE COMPLETED WITH SUPPLIES YOU HAVE AROUND YOUR HOUSE! WE WANT TO BE A RESOURCE FOR YOU IN THIS TIME.

ACTIVITIES ARE OUR JAM SO WE ARE SHARING SOME OF OUR FAVORITES WITH YOU!

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DROP IT, CATCH IT!

NEED: A BALL

Have your players get into a circle and one person will start off with the ball.

As you throw the ball to someone in the circle you say either "drop it" or "catch it"

If you say "drop it" then the person you threw it to does the OPPOSITE. (i.e. they catch it)

So, if you say "catch it" they should drop it.

A fun game that gets them twisted up and helps to work on coordination and listening!

MARSHMALLOW CHALLENGE

NEED: Marshmallows (or chewy candy), dry spaghetti, (optional: tape, string)

Challenge

Pass out a few of each material to them.

Let them know they are being timed (however long you see fit 15-20 min.) You can add extra time as a bonus. They can use any of the materials in any way they want to build the STRONGEST or TALLEST tower.

At the end you can see if any of the towers can hold objects, or whose is the tallest!

Tip: use the string as "guide wires" to balance the little spaghetti legs.

COLOR SCAVENGER HUNT!

You can do this inside OR outside!

Use a piece of paper and color different sections of color on it, to represent which color items you want them to find.

The goal is to find one item of each color!



ANIMAL SUNCATCHERS!

NEED: Coffee Filters, water, markers, (optional: construction paper, scissors, glue)

First, color with markers a design on the coffee filter!

Then, spray water or flick water on the coffee filter LIGHTLY and watch the colors spread!

You can add fun creatures on to the suncatcher with construction paper, then watch the sun catcher glisten in the sun!



CAPTAIN'S COMING!

One person is Captain who stands at the front--all other players face them.

When ready to play, the captain calls out a command. The players do the action associated with the command.

Calls

To the island: run to the left boundary
Scrub the deck: crouch down and make a scrubbing motion with hands

Hit the deck: lay on your stomach

Clear the deck: everyone must have their feet off the floor

Up periscope: lie on back with one leg raised straight in the air

Captains coming: stand at attention and salute

Climb the rigging: pretend to climb a rope

Safety boat: grab 4 others and row your boat

Time for dinner: grab 3 friends and eat dinner

LEAF/FLOWER RUBBING

NEED: Paper, crayons, leaves!

First, go outside and pick out a few different leaves!

Once you have your favorites, place the leaf underneath the paper and rub lightly across the paper with a crayon to see the leaf show up!

Have the kids write down all they notice about the leaf and how different leaves have different shapes, colors, and lines! Make note boxes for each leaf.



LEGO CHARADES

First, come up with a few objects you want to challenge them to make, including: rainbow, building, horse, dog, heart, etc. The challenge is to see who can make the object the quickest with their legos! You can add in a time challenge if you want.

FRISBEE, TIC-TAC-TOE

NEED: Frisbee (or paper plates), hula hoops (can use anything to mark out 9 spots)

First create your tic-tac-toe board with 9 hula hoops, jump rope, or an assortment of items.

Each person will take a turn trying to throw their frisbee into the grid! Once they throw it in use something to mark it as theirs (t-shirt, ball, etc.)

The first person to 3 in a row wins!



WATER FIREWORKS

NEED: tall drinking glass, oil (cooking or baby), food coloring, water, small cup, fork

Fill glass almost to top with room temp water.

Pour a little oil into the smaller glass (3-4 tablespoons)

Add a few drops of food coloring to the oil. Stir together with fork.

Pour the oil into the water, oil stays on top because it is less dense than water, but the food coloring will sink because it is heavier.

See the display! Try different oils, different amounts of color to see what works best!

DON'T TOPPLE THE TOWER

NEED: pencils or colored pencils, strip of paper taped in a circle.

Put the pencils in a bunch and fit them down through the paper circle. They should fan out into a teepee shape.

Players will take turns taking a pencil out! but be careful!!! The first player who pulls one out and makes the tower fall loses.

Keep score for multiple games!



TINFOIL SPACE CRAFT

NEED: Paper, coloring utensils, scissors, glue, aluminum foil.

Create your own space scene like seen below! Use the aluminum foil to create your own space ship!!



CRAB SOCCER

NEED: soccer ball

Like normal soccer but you have to be in the crab position (hands on the ground, crawling)

It is a challenge but fun to watch and fun to play!

RAINBOW HAND ART

NEED: different colored construction paper, glue, and scissors.



Create your own rainbow with YOUR hands!

MARBLE PLAY-DOH CHALLENGE

NEED: Play doh, marble

Using a cookie sheet, create your own maze with play doh rolled up!

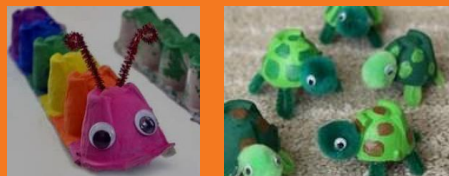
See how quickly people can get a marble through your maze.

Time it, change it up and see if you can go faster, notice all those things and write them down!

EGG CARTON CREATURE!

NEED: empty egg carton, paint/coloring utensils, scissors

Cut up a egg carton and let them design their own creature! Will it be a caterpillar, a snake, a monster? They choose!



ONE SHEET PAPER CHAIN

NEED: one sheet of paper, scissors, tape

Work on geometry and measurement while completing this fun challenge!

Try to create the longest chain out of one sheet of paper!

Once they are all done measure them against each other to see whose is the longest!

Talk about why the longest won!