

MASKS, MUSIC, AND MAGNETS



PAPER BAG MASK: In this activity you will make a mask using the paper bag that all the other materials came in!

INCLUDED MATERIALS:

- Paper bag
- Ribbon, pompoms, foam or felt
- Colorful construction paper

MATERIALS NOT INCLUDED:

- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- Markers, pencils, or crayons
- 1. Have an adult help you cut eye holes in your mask, then decorate it however you'd like! Maybe your favorite animal or a creature from your imagination.
- 2. After you finish the mask, wear it! Can you make the sounds and movement of the mask you are wearing?

FOR CAREGIVERS: This project provides an opportunity for your child(ren) to use their imagination and creativity. Before your child starts making their mask have them set an intention or goal. Ask them what they want to make or encourage them to make intuitively. Creating the mask also encourages fine-motor skills and decision making.





RICE SHAKER & DRUM: Use the provided materials to make a shaker!

INCLUDED MATERIALS:

- Rice
- Balloon
- Rubber band

MATERIALS NOT INCLUDED:

- Tin can, plastic bottle or cup
- Scissors

FOR CAREGIVERS: Shakers stimulate auditory sensory skills and can provide a tool for self-expression. You can use this shaker to make sound patterns and ask your child(ren) to repeat it for you.

- 1. Pour the included rice into a can, plastic bottle, or cup. You can choose to place other objects inside your shaker as well. For example, beans, beads, and coins work well!
- 2. If you are using a can or cup, cut the end of the balloon off so you can stretch it over the opening. Use the rubber band to secure the balloon in place. If you are using a plastic bottle, make sure you screw the cap back on tight!
- 4. After constructing your shaker you can choose to decorate it. The ribbon in this bag can be secured under the rubber band to create tassels.
- 3. Your shaker is ready to use now! What rhythms can you make with it? Play your favorite song and shake along to the beat.



LITERACY MAGNETS: In this activity you will make magnets. The magnets could be drawings or letters/words. You could also turn photos or magazines clippings into magnets!

INCLUDED MATERIALS:

- Cardstock
- Magnetic sheet

MATERIALS NOT INCLUDED:

- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- Markers, crayons, or pencils

MAGNET IDEAS:

- Make a magnet for each letter of the alphabet.
- Draw characters and objects to tell a story with.
- Draw a portrait of each person in your family or household.
- Make a matching game with words and corresponding pictures.
- Draw a picture, then cut it apart to make a magnetic puzzle.
- Practice writing your name, or make letter magnets to practice spelling your name.



This example upcycled a magazine and family photos

- Write words that are significant to you. If you speak multiple languages you could make a matching game of the same meaning in different languages.
- Write or draw out a short story and cut it apart. Then rearrange it to make the same story or see how many other stories you can make.

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Letter magnets



Word magnets



Drawn family magnets

MAGNET CONSTRUCTION:

- 1. Draw-on, write-on, or glue a paper cutout to the cardstock to create the front of your magnet, then cut around your design. To make your magnets more durable, you can laminate them or cover them in contact paper, Mod Podge, or packing tape.
- 2. Cut a piece of the provided magnet and attach it to the back of the cardstock. Double sided tape, super glue, or hot glue will be more durable, but school glue or regular tape work too!
- 3. Now your magnet is ready to stick to either a refrigerator, metal baking pan, or other magnetic surface!



Backside of the cardstock with the magnets attached

