FABLE : THE BOY WHO CRIED WOLF

Synopsis

A shepherd boy looked after the sheep all day long and grew bored. He decided it was time for entertainment so pretended there was a wolf and watched the village folk run up the hill to come defend the sheep. He thought it was funny so he did it again but the third time he wasn't joking and no one believed him.

Lessons

No one believes a liar even when they telling the truth.

Activities

1. Maths Game - Target
2. Store Up relay and Fable time
3. Tortoise craft
4. Caterpillar craft

Materials

- Spoons
- Red beads
- Brown beads
- Cups
- Bowl
- Pencil Crayons
- Fable Books
- Pens
- Pencils
- Egg carton section
- Green Paint
- Paint brushes
- Water bottle
- Pipe cleaners
- Scissors
- Green Pom Poms
- Googly eyes
- Clear Glue
- Green paper
- Tissue paper
- Black Felt tip pen

Questions

1. Why did the shepherd boy call wolf the first two times?
2. What happened the third time?
3. Can you think of real life examples where this lesson is true?

Instructions

In this box we will read one fable every day. Today you will introduce the maths game -Target and the children will have personal reading time.

FABLE : THE ANT AND THE GRASSHOPPER

Synopsis

The Grasshopper loved summer and laughed at the ant working so hard and not enjoying it. However when winter came it was the ant that was prepared.

Lessons

Beware of winter before it comes.

Questions

1. What did the Grasshopper think the ant should do in summer?
2. What food did the ant collect?
3. Can you think of a real life situation where this is true?

Materials

- Spoons
- Red beads
- Brown beads
- Pencil Crayons
- Fable Books
- Pens
- Pencils
- Cups
- Bowl

Activity 1 - Store up Relay

Put the children into two teams for the relay. Explain like the ant the children need to 'store up' food.

Line them up in two lines and put a bowl of mixed red and brown beads between them. A few steps ahead of them put two small cups for each type of bead. When you say go one at a time the children must use the teaspoon to run and fill up their cups (not mixing the two). **The trick is they can only use their mouth to hold their teaspoon.** The first team to fill up both cups wins.

Fable

After the children are finished playing they can start to write their own fable for the term in their fable book. They should illustrate beautiful pictures too. They don't need to finish it all today because they can work on it whenever they get a chance.

FABLE : ZEUS AND THE TORTOISE

Synopsis

Zeus invited all the animals to his great wedding feast but tortoise said he would rather stay at home. Zeus known for his temper brought down his powers and gave the tortoise a shell so he would always have his home with him.

Lessons

There is no place like home.

Questions

1. Which animal missed Zeus's feast and why?
2. What did Zeus do to punish him?
3. Was this really a bad punishment?

Materials

- Egg carton section
- Green Paint
- Paint brushes
- Water bottle
- Pipe cleaners
- Scissors
- Green Pom Poms
- Googly eyes
- Clear Glue

Activity 1 - Tortoise craft

Step 1:
Paint the egg carton section like a tortoise shell.

Step 2:
Cut the pipe cleaners into 5 pieces for the legs and tail. Folding them in half

Step 3:
Use the glue to stick on the legs, tail and the pompom head onto the carton.

Step 4:
Glue the eyes onto the pompom

reference: https://frugalfun4boys.com/adorable-egg-carton-turtle-craft-caterpillar-frog/

FABLE : THE TORTOISE AND THE EAGLE

Synopsis

The tortoise really just wanted to fly and begged the eagle to help him. At first the eagle said no but he eventually agreed. Tortoise soon realised he preferred the ground.

Lessons

Be careful what you wish for.

Questions

1. What did the tortoise have that the worm and slug didn't?
2. Why did the birds think he shouldn't fly?
3. Did the tortoise enjoy flying?

Materials

- Green paper
- Tissue paper
- Black Felt tip pen
- Scissors
- thin paintbrush / inside of pen
- Clear glue

Activity 1 - Caterpillar craft

Today we will make a worm like the one in the story.

Step 1: Take your A4 green paper divide it into three. Take one third and fold in half. Draw half the leaf and cut it out.

Step 2: Make little folds on the leaf and then unfold it.

Step 3: Take your tissue paper (1/8 of a sheet) and fold it around a paint brush or an inside of a pen. Glue the end to stop it unraveling.

Step 4: Squash the tissue paper together as close as possible and pull the tissue paper off the paintbrush/pen so it looks like a caterpillar. Using the black felt tip draw a head and spots on your caterpillar.

Step 5: Cut out a triangle shape out of your left over paper and roll it tight, glueing it together to form a long thin stick.

Step 6: Cut out long rectangle out of the green paper and roll it around the felt tip marker, glueing the ends to make a pipe that the thinner stick can fit through.

Step 7: Glue the pipe onto the end of your leaf and wait till it is dry before you try step 9.

Step 8: You may need to cut your caterpillar a bit shorter. Glue the head of the caterpillar onto the end of the thin stick. Make sure the glue has dried before you go to the next step.

Step 9: Put the thin stick through the pipe with the head of the caterpillar facing the leaf side. Then glue the bum of the caterpillar to the end of the pipe. So the front of the caterpillar is attached to the stick and the back to the pipe.

Step 10: Move the stick part back and forth so the caterpillar moves.

For a video of this craft watch:
https://za.pinterest.com/pin/387872586665409639/