



The Idea Hoarder

For the Activity Collector in You

Dear Miss Idea Hoarder! Share any ideas, ask questions ... or make confessions to ideahoarder@mmarksclassroom.com

Look what I found!



Game:

FLOAT MY BOAT

Provide a tub of water and several resources for crafting a boat that the kids think will be “seaworthy”. Put out paper, Styrofoam cups, duct tape, foil, play clay, etc. Test each vessel. Do they trust their boat? What is the most precious thing they would float in their boat without worrying? The most precious thing that has ever floated in a boat is a human life. God has a purpose for each life and He uses unique ways to save the life of someone who has a unique purpose in His plan. If you have lots of time and energy, let kids race the boats across a baby pool. Provide a miniature basket and watch it sink as it fills up. What can be done to make the basket float? Dip the basket in warmed wax several times and let it encase the weave and cool. Now will it float? Use in a study about Noah, Moses, Jonah, or Peter.



Find oragami boat Ideas on youtube



Craft:

CIRCLE ME

Everyone is uniquely made for a purpose. Use circles to make miniature art that looks like you! Craft requires three circle sizes: 2 small are for the ears; 1 medium for the neck; and 3 large for the face, hair, and shirt. I suggest craft punches, die cuts, or patterns to trace and cut out. Layer the ears and neck behind face. Cut hair and shirt circles in half to make two semi-circles of each color. Cut a notch from the hair and glue the hair over the forehead. Glue the shirt behind the neck and face. Draw the eyes, mouth, freckles, etc. For long hair, cut extra circles or ovals to glue behind the head and peek out behind the ears. An extra circle between the head and the long hair can pop up just above the bangs from behind the head. This creates the look of a headband for your girls. Enjoy how God made you special!



2 small ears
1 med. neck
3 large circles
face/hair/shirt



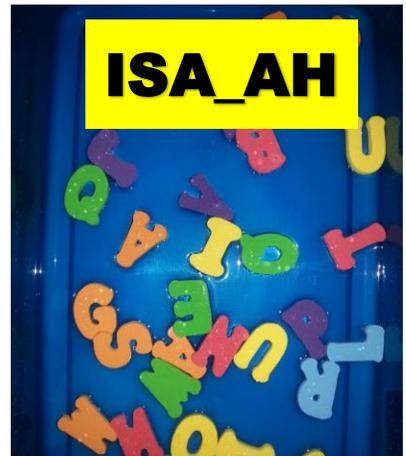
for a girl: add hairband and ovals to back



Bible Skill:

SPLASH N’ GRAB

Use the water from your boat-building game. Anything that floats will work as game pieces. Ping pong balls, fun foam, or slices of foam cups work well. Splurge on a set of preschool chunky foam letters that stick on the tub wall for bath time. Float the entire alphabet in the water. Make a set of flashcards with the books of the Bible on them. For younger kids, leave off the first letter. For older kids, leave off a letter anywhere in the name of the book of the Bible. For example: _OMANS or PRO_ERBS. As soon as the flash card is shown, kids try to be the first to grab the missing letter. Get ready for splashes! Whoever grabs the correct letter must either spell the book name from memory or tell what comes before and after. Each book has a unique name because each book is special! Great add on for any lesson with water involved.



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