



ABC Play dough

Ages 2 years to 3 years

Objective: The child is introduced to the alphabet while using play dough to explore and create letters.

Materials needed:

Play dough

Small Popsicle sticks

Plastic Knife

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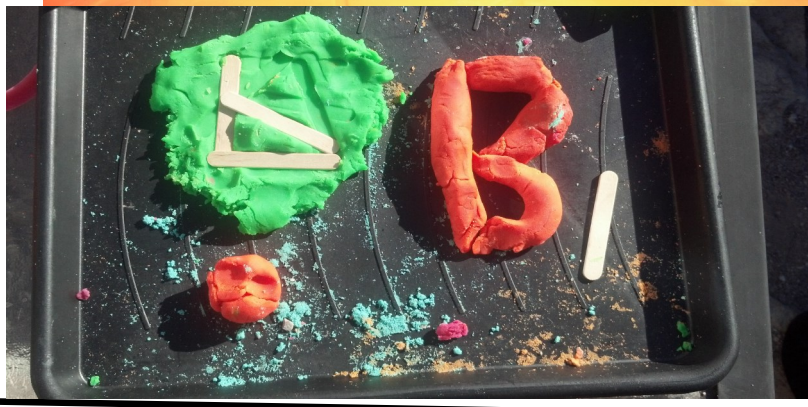
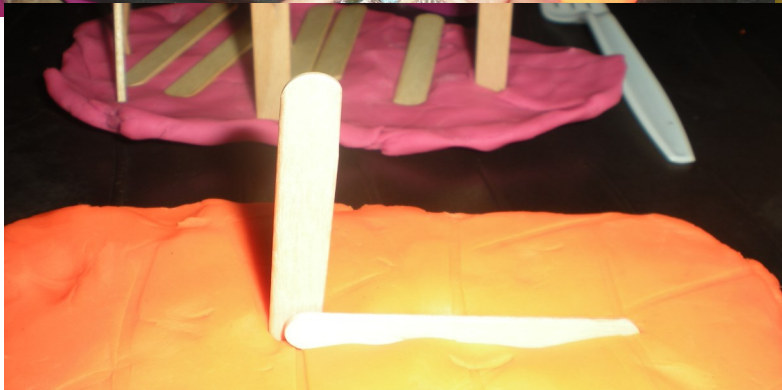
Procedures:

1. Have your child sit on an easily cleanable surface for this activity.
2. Give them one color of play dough. With your child, start flattening it out, rolling into balls, tear into pieces, and squishing it in your hands. See if they imitate your actions. Help their hands to do these actions if they do not imitate.
3. Now using the popsicle sticks, flatten out the play dough into a pancake. Press the letter "A" using the sticks into the dough. Say the letter. Do other letters (T, U, L, N, M, X, & Y are easy).



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4. Let them explore and create with the popsicle sticks and play dough freely.
5. If you have the ABC Cookie Cutters, doing with or for them, make play dough letters. Say the letter as you cut it out. Ask them to try and repeat saying letter.

Milestones to meet:

The child is introduced to letters. The child can use fine-motor skills to explore and manipulate play dough. The child uses their words to repeat letters.

Evaluation:

Did this lesson work for your child? Why or why not?