



Chalk and Water

1 year to 2 years

Objective: The child is introduced to early learning and the concept of cause and effect, through creativity, experimentation, and fine-motor skills.

Materials needed:

Black construction paper

White chalk

Spray bottle of water

Procedures:

1. Do this activity on a hard, easy cleanable surface, or outside. Have your child sit in their highchair.
2. Place one sheet of black construction paper down on the tray in front of your child. While helping, give child a piece of chalk and help them color all over the paper.
3. Take the spray bottle and spray water on the black paper (hold their hands to have them help spray, if possible).



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4. Use simple-vocabulary to help describe to them what is happening. Such as: "Oh wow.

White chalk. The water makes it go away. All gone, bye bye."

5. Continue activity on new pieces of black paper to re-teach and reinforce concepts of what is happening after the white chalk is sprayed with water. (I.e. We see it, then it goes away)

Milestones to meet:

The child builds fine-motor skills and their grasp to hold a piece of chalk to color. The child begins to understand how actions cause reactions.

Evaluation:

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