



Thankful Sticks

Ages 2 to 3 years

Objective: The child uses visual development to build hand-eye coordination by pulling sticks out of a hole in a box.

Materials needed:

Large popsicle sticks (10)

Marker (for you to use for writing)

Empty baby wipes box

Procedures

1. On each of the popsicle sticks write the following words:

Mommy, Daddy, Your child's name, Home, Love

2. Put the sticks inside the box, where they are sticking out of the "wipes pull hole".

3. Encourage your child's hand-eye coordination and grabbing abilities by pulling out one stick at a time from the boxes hole.

4. When they pull the stick out, say this phrase to your child: "Thankful for ____." (fill it in with the word on the stick pulled)



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5. Continue encouraging pulling sticks out to your child until all 5 sticks have been pulled and said.
6. Then, encourage your child to put the sticks back in the baby wipes box hole one at a time.
7. Talk with your child about what it means to be thankful. Ask them, "what are you thankful for?" Give examples: mommy & daddy.

Milestones to meet:

The child uses fine-motor skills, hand-eye coordination, and object permanence skills through visual awareness and grabbing sticks.
The child can pull a stick out of a box (hole).
The child can put a stick inside of a hole.

Evaluation:

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