



Thankful Handprint

Ages 1 to 2 years

Objective: The child builds texture awareness through a handprint painting, and learns about their fingers and hands.

Materials needed:

Thankful Handprint (printable)

Washable paint (for handprint)

Black sharpie marker

Procedures:

1. Have your child sit in their highchair for this activity to eliminate mess and avoid distracting easily.
2. What you are going to do is paint your child's hand (or dip it into paint on a plate)
3. Hold their hand open and place their hand-print on the printable sheet.
4. Let it dry completely.
5. Once it is dried, use the sharpie and write five reasons you love them and thankful they are yours. (write one reason on each of their five



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This activity is perfect for creating a keepsake memento for your child's baby book!

Extension: Once the handprint is dried, point to and count your child's fingers out loud! Say the words, "hand and fingers" to build awareness of what they are. Ask child to repeat the words after you. Build a connection between your child's own hands and fingers, the hand print paintings fingers, and refer to your own hands and fingers too!

Teaching "they are all the same."

Milestones to meet:

The child shows awareness of their hands through hand print painting. The child learns about their hands and fingers. The child builds texture awareness through handprint painting.

Evaluation:

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