

BUILDING BLOCKS

A Newsletter for Teachers Working with Infant, Toddler
and Preschool
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END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR ACTIVITIES

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Whether you have a full-blown graduation ceremony or a simple end of the school year celebration, the end of the year is a time to have some fun. This line-up of ideas can help you plan just the right experience for your children, from simple treats and gifts to an art show! How will you wrap up your year of learning? <https://www.pre-kpages.com/end-school-year-activities/>



Teacher Resources

Theme Resources- Perfect for ESY
<https://to.ly/1zkzL>



Resources to Meet All Your Children's Needs
Lesson Modifications for your English Language Learners, Small Groups and "Second-Year" children, those four-year-olds who were in your class last year as three-year olds

Great Downloadables

A wealth of reproducibles, patterns, picture cards, center ideas, lessons, and outdoor play activities as well as an annotated list of additional theme-related books in English and other languages
PDF Student Downloadables
PDF Teacher Downloadables
PDF Spanish Letters

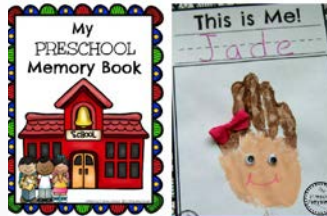
Week 4 Lessons

Daily lessons for the fourth week in an extended school year

Units: Who We Are; Making Friends; Families; Food; Transportation; Animals All Around Us; Nature; Animals in the Wild; Health and Fitness

PLANNING PLAYTIME

LEARNING THROUGH PLAY



Preschool/ Kindergarten Memory Book
FREE

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Join my awesome email group to get this adorable memory book, filled with hands-on activities and fun memories.



In my email group I'll send you amazing learning game ideas, freebies, and let you know about my latest educational products and deals.

<https://planningplaytime.lpages.co/preschool-memory-book/>



The Importance of Play--Part 1

We must never forget the importance of play. We know that preschoolers LOVE to play—in the interest centers, in your gross motor area and outside! Let's not forget that play is not as random or chaotic as it seems. Free choice play time is one of your BEST opportunities to teach!

As Preschool teachers, we have a wonderful opportunity to utilize what appears to be "just" playing as a time to reinforce concepts such as sharing and turn-taking as well as take their language development skills and intellectual and emotional developmental to the next levels!

<https://www.preschool-plan-it.com/importance-of-play.html>

FEATURED IDEA OF THE MONTH



Playdough is an excellent sensory activity. It gives tactile feedback, can help soothe, and often includes senses other than touch such as scent (olfactory). There are many ways to expand playdough play.

<https://to.ly/1zkG1>

File Folder Heaven



SAMPLE SOME FREEBIES
[SAMPLE ADAPTED BOOK AND VOCABULARY ACTIVITIES](#)



"HEY RIDDLE RIDDLE" SUMMER THEMED ACTIVITIES FOR THE SENSORY BIN
\$3.50

These Summer Activities, "Hey Riddle Riddle" Sensory Bin Riddles are going to be so much fun during the summer season

or as a supplement to summer themed units. This set focuses on language skills, making inferences, identifying summer themed vocabulary and matching a word to a picture.


<https://to.ly/1zkCl>

TWENTY FUN STORY TIMES

<https://pagingsupermom.com/21-storytimes/>

We were excited to be a part of the Storybook Summer series over at Make and Takes. Mom bloggers from around the internet featured a favorite children's book and a fun activity to go along with it.

Storybook Summer

 **make and takes**

<https://www.makeandtakes.com/tag/storybook-summer>

WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

<https://to.ly/1zkEG>

<https://to.ly/1zkF5>

<https://to.ly/1zkFb>



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LITTLE RED HEN ACTIVITY – RETELLING THROUGH SENSORY



<https://fun-a-day.com/little-red-hen-activity-sensory/>



4 FREE SUMMER PRINTABLES FOR MOTOR SKILLS

1. Watermelon Multisensory Handwriting Activity <http://yourtherapysource.com/mssummerfreebie.html>
2. Hand Out on Fun Physical Activities for the Summer <http://yourtherapysource.com/summerfree.html>
3. Summer Tic Tac Toe at <http://yourtherapysource.com/summerfitnessfreebie.html>
4. Outdoor Bingo at <http://yourtherapysource.com/fmsummerfree.html>