

BUILDING BLOCKS

A Newsletter for Teachers Working with Infant, Toddler
and Preschool
Educational Equity For All



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14 LITERACY ACTIVITIES THAT GET KIDS MOVING

<https://goo.gl/jmdmvx>



PRESCHOOL NATURE ACTIVITIES

Help little learners explore and discover their environment with these preschool nature activities kids will love! Use paint chips to explore and match shades of color in nature, create a nature journal sketchbook to log discoveries, cook up mud bricks to use to construct towers or cities, or experiment with pressing different flowers into clay. The sky is the limit when you take learning outdoors!

Science-Hands-on activities

- The 5 Senses
- Simple Experiments
- Colors
- Physical Science
- Earth & Space Science
- Plants, Animals & the Earth
- Weather & Seasons
- Nature Activities

<https://www.education.com/activity/preschool/nature-activities/>



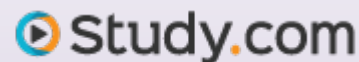
Seeds of Partnership provides assistance on behalf of the California Department of Education, Special Education Division to support the direction, initiatives and activities that are a part of the State Performance Plan (SPP) related to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Indicators. <http://www.seedsofpartnership.org/>

Webinar: Quality Early Education for
all Kids in California - What Will It
Take?



<https://goo.gl/A3pEBE>





Technology in the Preschool Classroom



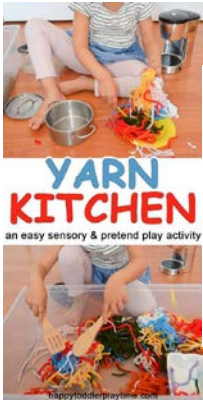
Young children are born learners. They love to explore and soak in new experiences. Preschool teachers can use technology to enhance children's natural curiosity. Not sure how to make this happen? Take a look at what technology in the preschool classroom looks like.

<https://study.com/academy/lesson/technology-in-the-preschool-classroom.html>

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..... Giving kids what they need to succeed.

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FEATURED IDEA OF THE MONTH



Here is a super fun sensory and pretend play activity that is super easy to clean up! Pretend Yarn Kitchen in a sensory bin!

<https://goo.gl/oG8JMC>



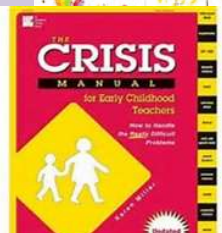
Video Clip Directory

Included in this video clip directory are a series of video clips that have been carefully vetted and selected by staff from the Center for Advanced Study of Teaching and Learning (CASTL).

Categories

- Classroom Interactions and Organization
 - Instructional Interactions
 - Social and Emotional Support
 - Prompting Positive Behavior
 - Productive Routines and Transitions
 - The Environment
- Social/Emotional Topics
 - Emotion Regulation
 - Friendship Building
 - Problem Solving
- Content Specific
 - Language and Literacy
 - Math and Science
- Individualized Instruction
 - Dual Language Learners
 - Special Needs

http://vpiplus.org/resources/video_directory.php



CRISIS MANUAL FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHERS
Chapters for each crisis include the following:
-Describing the problem
-Insights from child development
-When to seek help

-How to Respond
-Who can help - suggestions of resources and organizations
<https://goo.gl/nfnirh>

WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

<https://blog.schoolspecialty.com/category/physical-education/>
<https://goo.gl/Smcvak>
<https://goo.gl/kEdBWk>



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



Learning Decks are professional development webinars for those who work with, or on behalf of, young children with special needs
Upcoming Learning Deck.

“Using Picture Books to Engage and Educate Children with Disabilities”
This three part webinar series will take place January through March 2019. Attendees can choose to purchase access to one, two, or all three webinars.

- The Importance of Using Read Alouds with All Learners – Pt. 1 Monday, January 28th, 2019, 2:00 PM - 1:00 PM EST
- Designing Read Alouds to Engage All Learners – Pt. 2 Monday, February 11th, 2019, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST
- Using Picture Books to Engage and Educate Children with Disabilities – Pt. 3 Monday, March 4th, 2019, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST

<http://www.dec-sped.org/learning-decks>



Adapting Early Childhood Curricula for Children with Special Needs, Loose-Leaf Version (9th Edition) 9th Edition

by Ruth E. Cook, M. Diane Klein, Deborah Chen



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in Primary

15 FREE LETTER ACTIVITIES TO HELP STUDENTS LEARN THE ALPHABET

<https://goo.gl/zBYQbc>