



# BUILDING BLOCKS

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

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## FUNCTIONAL SKILLS FOR KIDS



HANDWRITING AND SCISSOR SKILL RESOURCES CREATED BY PEDIATRIC THERAPISTS!

- The Handwriting Book And Scissor Skills Book Bundle (Best Deal!)
- The Handwriting Book
- The Scissor Skills Book
- Handwriting Printable Pack
- Scissor Skills Printable Pack

[https://2.bp.blogspot.com/-feggzfr6g-k/wqacu6bqn8i/aaaaaaaa6uu/doog9anah\\_4e2yfohqjxlfivqctv8bmgclcb/s320/scissor-skills-printable-pack.jpg](https://2.bp.blogspot.com/-feggzfr6g-k/wqacu6bqn8i/aaaaaaaa6uu/doog9anah_4e2yfohqjxlfivqctv8bmgclcb/s320/scissor-skills-printable-pack.jpg)

[Http://www.functionalskillsforkids.com/](http://www.functionalskillsforkids.com/)



## HAPPY HOOLIGANS

If you need a fun craft or activity for your class, happy hooligans is your source. Jackie, the site owner has run a daycare for years and these are the activities she does with her daycare kids, or as she calls them, her "hooligans." One look at her site and you'll find yourself wishing you lived close enough to send your own kids to her for daycare. <https://happyhooligans.ca/>



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Halloween Slime Recipe: Purple Monster Floam



Ingredients:

- 3 cups of shaving cream (not the gel kind)
- 1 cup of white school glue
- Approx. 3-4 tbsp contact cleaning solution (containing boric acid)
- 2-3 drops of food colouring or a few squirts of acrylic paint
- 1 cup small foam beads

<https://childhood101.com/floam/>



These are 35 gross motor activities for preschoolers to have fun with!

Learning at a desk is never easy for preschoolers. They need to move! It just so happens there's ways for preschooler to learn while moving too.

One of my favorite ways to get creative is in a big way, what I call Big Art. It combines movement with art and its just plain fantastic.

<https://handsonaswegrow.com/gross-motor-activities-preschoolers/>

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## FEATURED IDEA OF THE MONTH



<https://myboredtoddler.com/halloween-crafts-for-toddlers/>

## KIDSPARKZ



### CIRCLE TIME Songs and Rhymes

Here is a collection of the words for some songs and rhymes that can be used when planning activities and curriculum for Circle Time for preschool and preK children. Songs include calls to gather together, invitations to sit quietly, action romps, educational games, and just plain happy, silly fun.

<https://www.kidsparkz.com/preschool-sings-circle-time.html>



**200+ FREE PRESCHOOL PRINTABLES & WORKSHEETS**

This is a growing collection of **free printables for preschoolers**, designed for ages approximately 3 & 4 years old. You can also browse through our toddler printables and kindergarten printables.

Letters & Letter Sounds, Tracing, Drawing & Fine Motor, Other Literacy Printables, Counting & Numbers, Other Math Printables, Scissor Skills, Science, Geography, Social Studies, Dot Marker Sheets, Playdough Mats, Q-Tip Painting Printables, Seasonal & Themed Packs

<https://www.totschooling.net/p/preschool-printables.html>

## WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

<https://www.simplykinder.com/>  
<https://www.kidsacademy.mobi/free-preschool-kindergarten-worksheets/>  
<https://teachbesideme.com/ultimate-list-of-free-preschool-curriculum-resources/>



## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



### The Perpetual Preschool Workshops

Online Early Childhood Workshops For Teachers And Parents Of Preschool Aged Children

We offer 16 classes for early childhood professionals. All of the workshops are cost effective at \$16.00 each. They are all self-study and will never expire. Join our mailing list, and receive a coupon code for 25% off your workshop order!

<https://perpetualpreschoolworkshops.com/>



ABC series centered around Things That Go



<https://royalbaloo.com/downloads3/zoomin-moving-alphabet/>