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ABOUT THE STORY



Go, Dog. Go!

By P.D. Eastman

Throughout the book, details in illustrations seem to invite the reader to notice the deeper significance of small things. From big dogs and little dogs to red, green, and blue dogs, dogs going up and dogs going fast! who knew dogs were so busy?

ACTIVITY

WHAT DO YOU REMEMBER FROM THE STORY?

Through this activity children will learn to recall parts of the story; focusing on memory and comprehension of literacy.

Instructions:

- Provide children with paper and crayons/markers
- Encourage them to draw/write about what they remember from the story
- As they draw, write down what their picture represents

CRS RESOURCE LIBRARY

Curriculum Resource and toys books are available to check out at our library. Call 619-521-3055 ext.2304 to make a library appointment.

LOOK FOR THIS SYMBOL!



The "books" symbol indicates that this item may be checked out at the YMCA CRS Resource and Toy Lending Library.

WEB SITES

Here are some web sites to give you more curriculum ideas:

<http://www.prekinders.com/pets-theme/>

<http://www.123child.com/lessonplans/animals/dogs.php>

<http://www.preschool-plan-it.com/pets-theme.html>

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FINE MOTOR



LACING

Strengthen fine motor skills while using this wooden lacing dog pattern. You can also introduce new directional words to children such as; "Go through, go up, go down."



SCIENCE

DOG BONE EXPLORATION

Place a variety of dog bones, (i.e. different sizes, types, and flavors) in a container. Provide children with magnifying glasses. Encourage children to look through the magnifying glasses and talk about what they see, smell, and feel. Ask about differences and similarities.

FIELD TRIPS

IN HOUSE K-9 VISIT

Schedule a visit from a K-9 police dog and an officer. Ask the officer to discuss the importance of working dogs and what their job is.



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PLAY DOUGH/CLAY

DOG FIGURINES

Materials:

- Ready made playdough or make playdough with children

Instructions

- Encourage children to sculpt a dog with the play dough
- Once they have finished sculpting, allow to dry until hardened
- Once dry, provide paint and paint brushes
- Allow children to paint the figures
- Allow paint to dry
- Display children's work on a shelf at their eye level



Tip:

Add a scenery for the dogs to be displayed on, such as a park, beach, etc.

ART

DOG BONE PAINTING/PRINTING

Materials:

- Dog bones (different sizes and shapes)
- Paint
- White Paper

Instructions:

For Printing

- Children dip the bones into the paint
- Press the bone onto the paper
- Lift, dip in paint, and repeat

For Painting

- Children dip the bones into the paint
- Encourage them to paint on the paper with the bone

DRAMATIC PLAY



PET VET

This activity center lets young animal doctors bandage pretend wounds, listen to heartbeats, examine X-rays and more! This set includes all the tools and supplies children need and you even get a cute and soft puppy for little ones to care for.

