

Floating Drawing Experiment



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Toddler
1.5 - 2.5 years

Let your child explore the effects of water on different materials as they watch their artwork take on a life of its own! Draw with dry erase markers in a glass bowl, pour water and have your child watch with curiosity and awe as the drawings magically rise up.

Learning Outcomes

Domain:

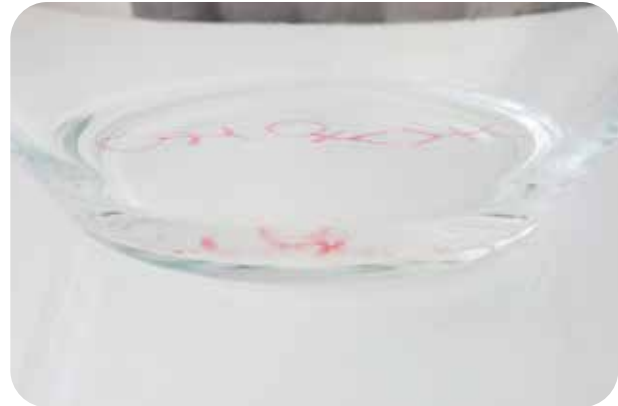
Cognitive

Indicator:

Responding with joy to the predictable outcomes of exploration

Skills:

Cause and effect exploration



Materials

- Dry erase markers
- Glass bowl
- Water
- Straw



Instructions

Step 1: Grab your glass bowl.

Step 2: Have your child on the inside on the bottom with dry erase markers. Encourage them to get creative by drawing stick figures, animals, boats or anything else they'd like.

Step 3: Pour in the water.

Step 4: Use the straw to move your shapes around.



Age Adjustments

For older preschoolers: Have the older children predict what will happen. You can have them create a graph of their predictions.

For younger toddlers: Pre-draw a couple of shapes or stick figures for your child and have them use the straw once the water is poured in.



Playful Questions

- What shapes should we draw?
- What will happen if I pour water in the bowl?
- Why do you think it floated?
- Can we move the shape around?
- What should we draw next?