

Egg Yarn Threading



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Preschoolers
2.5 - 4 years

This is an inexpensive and quick activity to create at home that the kids will love! Children will practice their fine motor skills using string, shoelaces or yarn to thread creative egg decorations.

Learning Outcomes

Domain:

Physical

Skills:

Fine Motor

Indicator:

Using pincer grasp to thread string through holes.



Materials

- Cardboard or cardstock paper
- Scissors
- String, yarn or shoe laces
- Hole punch
- Markers, crayons or paint



Instructions

Step 1: Using scissors, cut the cardboard or cardstock into an egg (oval) approximately the size of an adult hand.

Step 2: Use a hole punch to create holes around the perimeter of the cutout, about 1 inch apart and ½ inch from the edge of the egg. If you don't have a hole punch, scissors work as well — just make sure the holes are large enough to have string pass through them.

Step 3: Have the child decorate the egg using markers, crayons or paint.

Step 4: Using string, yarn or a shoelace to tie a knot around one hole in the cutout.

Step 5: Have the child weave the string in and out of each hole around the perimeter of the cutout.

Step 7: Once completed, encourage the child to unthread the string and then start all over again!

Get extra crafty! Try tying multiple strings with different colors to the egg to form interesting patterns.

Playful Questions

- Can you make a zig zag pattern using the string?
- Can you count how many holes you put the string through?
- Can you lace two eggs together?
- What other shapes should we cut out?
- What colors should we use to decorate our egg?