

Airplane Craft



Transportation

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Preschoolers
2.5 - 4 years

Whether your child has never been on a plane or is a frequent flyer, they will have lots of questions as they construct their aircrafts. Through this activity, your kiddo will be using their behavior management to keep their patience in check while painting and glueing.

Learning Outcomes

Domain:

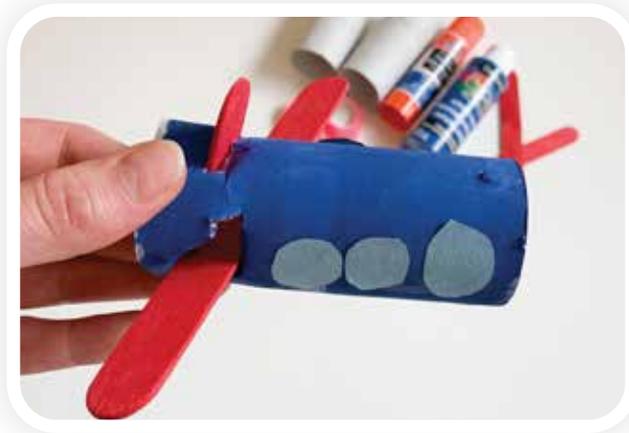
Cognitive

Skills:

Self-regulation

Indicator:

Monitoring own behavior



Materials

- Toilet paper tube
- Paint
- Paint brush
- Scissors
- Popsicle sticks
- Glue
- Blue construction paper



Instructions

Step 1: Set up a safe space for painting.

Step 2: Using a paint brush and paint, have the child paint the toilet paper tube. Set aside to dry.

Step 3: Paint 3 popsicle sticks. Set aside to dry.

Step 4: While everything is drying, cut 6 circles out of the blue construction paper for your windows.

Step 5: Once the tube is dry, glue the windows on — 3 per side.

Step 6: Cut a slit towards the back of the tube on either side. Stick 2 popsicle sticks in to form your wings.

Step 7: On the opposite side of the tube, cut 1 slit into the tube to put the tail stabilizer into. If the stick is too tall, use your scissors to cut it a bit shorter.



Age Adjustments

For older preschoolers: If you are confident to let your preschooler assemble everything then let them use the scissors and create the whole airplane. They also can make a cone nose using construction paper.

For toddlers: They will need some help but are still able to create their own airplane. Use hand-over-hand for the more difficult parts, especially where scissors are involved.



Playful Questions

- What vehicle do you want to drive?
- What sound does a horn make?
- What patterns should we make on your steering wheel?
- What does a steering wheel control?
- How does a car move?