

## September, 2022-Storytime-FROGS!



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After "I Don't Want to To Be A Frog" was read, the children were asked, "Why didn't the frog want to be a frog? Would YOU like to be a frog? Why or why not? At the end of the book, why was the frog glad he was a frog?"
"5 Little Green Frogs Sitting on a Wall", sung to "Baa Baa Black Sheep" :
" 5 Little Green Frogs Sitting on a wall, 5 little green frogs, that is all. One little frog began to fall...Now how many frogs are sitting on the wall? " (Pause for the children to answer) " 4 little green frogs, sitting on a wall, 4 little green frogs, that is all."Repeat down to 0 frogs, then end with "They all went swimming, that is all."

The children made their own colorful frogs by coloring a 3 oz. paper cup with washable markers. Each child was then given a pre-cut frog face and legs, that were glued or taped to the cup. The children applied color coding stickers, then drew in the eyes and mouth with the markers.

The children listened to "Jump, Frog, Jump!", and using
 their frogs as puppets, made them jump whenever the story said "Jump, frog, jump!" The children were able to practice gross motor skills by tossing beanbag frogs into a plastic crate, starting close to the crate and gradually moving farther away.

## Fun Frog Game



Cover a toilet paper tube or 5 " piece of paper towel tube with green paper. Let the children add spots or stripes, and color the inside of the mouth red. Cut out legs and eyes (the children can draw and /or color them), and glue to the tube. Let the children draw bugs, and select 1 to cut out and tape to a piece of string. Thread the string through the tube, then staple the end of the tube, catching the string, to make the body shape. Now challenge the children to hold the frog and try to catch the bug in the frog's mouth (without using their other hand!) This is a good way to develop eye/hand coordination. TIP: For younger children, make the string shorter, or let them put the bug in the frog's mouth with their other hand.

## ATTENTION!

IN-PERSON storytimes ARE BACK, starting Sept. 19th!!! If you are interested, and have not yet contacted us, please call Mary at 717-2070500, ext. 1201 or George Matthew at extension1238.

EASY Frog Crafts


Let the children color a frog picture, then glue it to cardboard and cut a hole through the mouth for a party favor.


Fold a circle of green posterboard in half, add frog eyes, then cut a hole in the middle of the fold and insert a party favor. Put rolled-up tape on the end of the favor, and pick up paper flies like the frogs do!

