

Study Starter Activities (Ages Birth to 5 years old)

BUGS

Bugs Math Activities (3)

1. Bug Jar math-Sort by colors of bugs or for older kiddos, have them identify the number on the jar and add that many bugs to the jar. To add fine motor, use tweezers to pick up the bugs.



2. Bug Measuring-Create bug cards and have kiddos use various objects around the room to measure the bugs



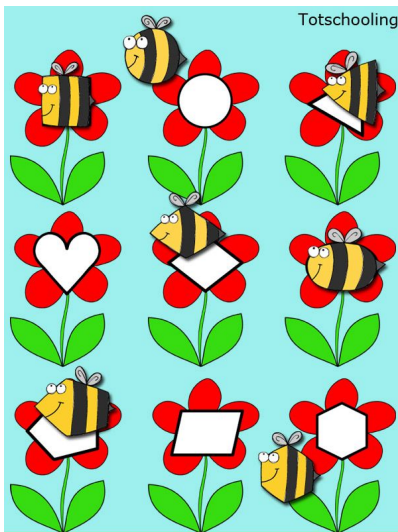
3. Caterpillar Egg Counting
Mats-<https://www.fantasticfunandlearning.com/caterpillar-egg-counting-mats.html>



4. Swat the bug - <https://www.adabofgluewilldo.com/swat-the-bug-learning-activity/>



5. Bee Shape Matching Game (Free Printable) - <https://www.totschooling.net/2018/03/bees-flowers-shape-matching.html>



Bugs Art Activities (3)

1. Bug Prints



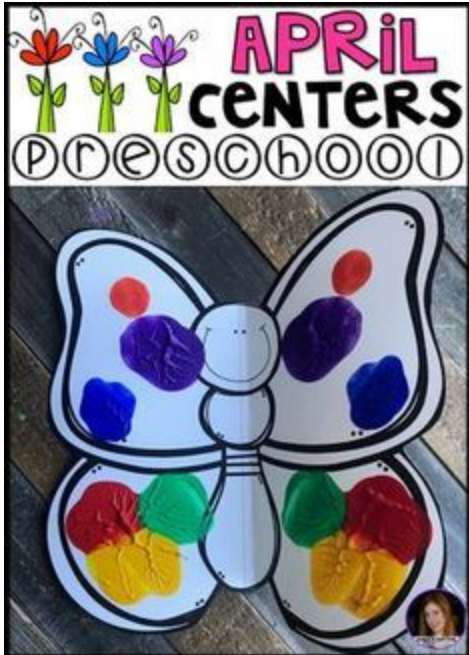
2. 3D Art bugs



3. Fly Swatter Painting



4. Butterfly Symmetry Art



Bugs Cooking Activity (2)

1. Dirt Cups-Crushed oreos, chocolate pudding, and gummy worms



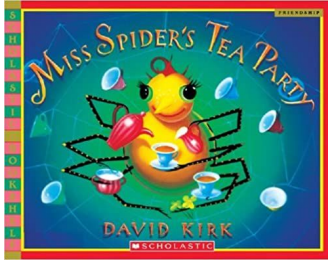
2. Ants on a log-celery, soynut butter, and raisins. Spread soynut butter across celery and add the ants (raisins) on top

Bugs Reading Activities & Book (4)

1. Book: The Very Hungry Caterpillar
Activity: Caterpillar names



2. Book: Miss Spider's Tea Party



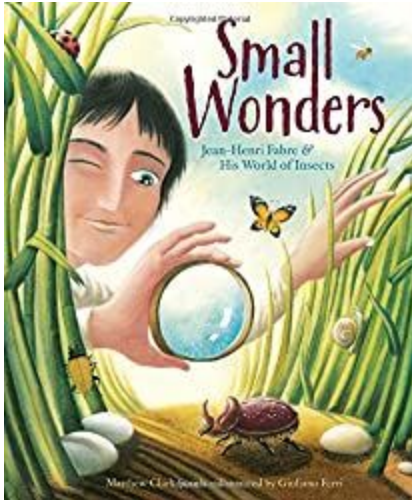
Activity: Either have one tea cup and a bunch of pretend bugs or give each child a tea cup and their own set of pretend bugs. While reading the book, have children take turns putting the amounts of bugs mentioned in the story into the cup. At the end, add up all the bugs.

3. Book: The Grouchy Ladybug
Activity: Paper Plate Ladybugs

Hot School PAPER PLATE LADYBUG



4. Book: Small Wonders



Activity: Go on a bug hunt for outside time. Bring magnifying glasses, paper, clipboards, and drawing/writing materials.

Bugs Science/ Social Science Activity (3)

1. Bug Fossils-Stamp bugs into play dough. Use magnifying glasses and tweezers to investigate. Have older children take observations by drawing what they see.



2. Bug Sensory Bin-<http://www.paper-and-glue.com/2015/05/insect-sensory-bin.html>



3. Bug or Not sort



4. Wings or no wings sorting



Bugs Game/Fun Activity (3)

1. Build a Bug-Set out play dough, googly eyes, pipe cleaners, buttons, etc and have kiddos create their own bug.



2. Wiggle Worm Writing - mix equal parts cornstarch and cocoa powder in a zip lock and add water until right consistency. For younger kids, let them just practice scribbling to develop early writing skills and fine motor skills.



3. Butterfly Dancing-Add large pieces of colorful cloth to music and movement (or use scarf dancers)



Bugs Outdoor Activity (3)

1. Bumble Bee Relay-<https://www.pinkoatmeal.com/bumble-bee-relay/>



Bumble Bee Relay



2. Bug Scavenger Hunt
3. Insect Action Dice

Game-https://steamthinkers.com/act-like-an-insect-action-dice/?utm_medium=social&utm_source=pinterest&utm_campaign=tailwind_tribes&utm_content=tribes&utm_term=657271874_25320672_80903



INSECT ACTION DICE GAME

FREE PRINTABLE



*Additions to centers

1. Life Cycle of a Butterfly Sensory Bottles in Science center



BUTTERFLY

sensory bottles for preschool



2. Free Bug

Printables-<http://preschoolpowolpackets.blogspot.com/2017/02/insect-bug-spider-theme-d-free-preschool.html>