

Lesson Plan: Mondrian Masterpieces

Name of Program: Super Sprouts!

Intended Ages: 4 years & younger

Exhibit Area: Celebration Room

Date(s): February 4 & 7, 2008

Materials:

Black Tape

Scissors in small containers

½ sheets paper in primary colors

Full sheets of white paper

Glue sticks in small containers

Examples of Mondrian artwork

Learning Topics Met:

Fine motor	Gross motor	Math	Science	Art	Language	Culture	Practical Life	Dramatic Play
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Specific Objectives: Children will practice fine-motor coordination, assembling collages using paper, glue, and tape. Children will create, notice and name different geometric shapes. Children will be exposed to Mondrian's artwork.

Safety Tips: Watch out for small pieces on the floor, in addition to careful use of scissors.

Ahead of Time: The teacher will set scissors, glue sticks, tape in containers on the tables, in addition to placing white and colored paper at the front table.

Process:

1. Welcome visitors to the activity and invite them to pick up a sheet of each color paper from the front table and have a seat at a table.
2. Explain that we are using colored paper and black tape to create collages on the white paper in the same style as the artist Pete Mondrian.
3. When ready, children will assemble collages.
4. Some children may choose to glue on the colored paper first, and other might choose to stick on their black lines first.
5. Circulate and discuss artwork with students.

Closure: Let all visitors know we are glad they came and remind them to pick up any artwork left behind. Offer plastic bags.

