



Craft Activity

Theme: Farm Animals - Chicken

Intro: Chickens are known as Farm animals, but also make great pets. People have been raising Chickens for over 7,000 years.

Craft activity: Chicken Craft

Children will need: White, red, and yellow card/paper, scissors, glue, black texta/crayon.

Instructions:

Using the oval and child's hand templates, cut out oval shapes on the white paper, child's handprints from the red paper and long diamond shapes from the yellow paper. You will need one white oval shape, three red handprints and one yellow diamond to make your Chicken. Glue one red hand at the top of the oval shape, two at the bottom. Glue the yellow diamond in the middle for the beak. Draw on two eyes and leave to dry.

Extension ideas: Feather painting, go on a feather hunt, make your chicken using other coloured craft, boil eggs to eat at morning tea, dye or paint boiled eggs. (you can also remove the uncooked egg from their shell prior to painting/dying)

Fact: Chickens are related to the T Rex Dinosaur. Healthy Chickens lay 265 eggs a year.



Learning Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world.

Coordinator extension ideas and group time guide

Sensory activity: Chicken Sensory Play.

You will need: A small tray, some straw, plastic bugs, fruit, vegetables, play chickens..

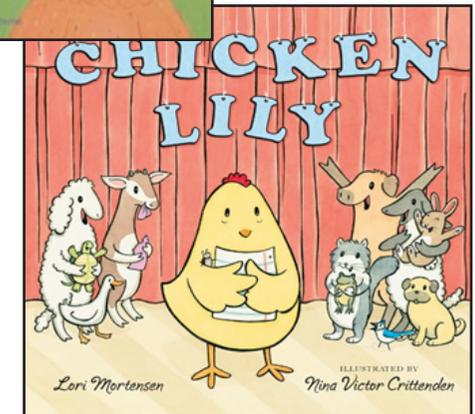
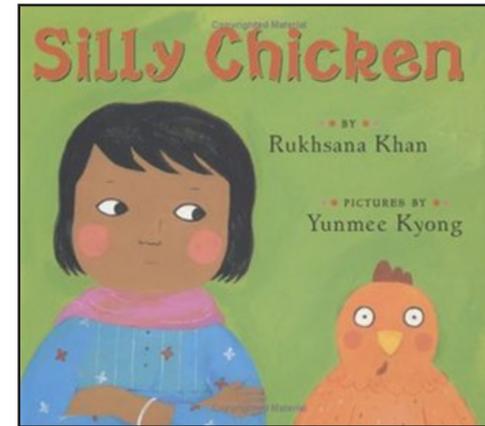
Instructions: Place the straw into the tray and hide the Chicken food & odd items in there for them to find and identify what is Chicken food and what isn't.

Outside Activity:

Ask the Children if they know how to pretend to be Chickens, let them forage outside to try and find food. Chickens eat grass, bugs, fruit, vegetables and table scraps. Can they cluck like a chicken does? Can they find a safe place to lay eggs?

Group time ideas:

- Story time
- If you had a chicken at home, what would you call it?
- Do you know the names of a boy and girl chicken?
- Dance to the "Chicken Dance"



Book Suggestions:

Chicken Lily by Lori Mortensen
Silly Chicken by Rukshana Khan



Old Macdonald Had a Farm

Old MACDONALD had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

And on his farm he had a cow

E-I-E-I-O

With a moo moo here

And a moo moo there

Here a moo, there a moo

Everywhere a moo moo

Old MacDonald had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

Old MACDONALD had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

And on his farm he had a pig

E-I-E-I-O

With a oink oink here

And a oink oink there

Here a oink, there a oink

Everywhere a oink oink

Old MacDonald had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

Old MACDONALD had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

And on his farm he had a duck

E-I-E-I-O

With a quack quack here

And a quack quack there

Here a quack, there a quack

Everywhere a quack quack

Old MacDonald had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

Old MACDONALD had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

And on his farm he had a horse

E-I-E-I-O

With a neigh neigh here

And a neigh neigh there

Here a neigh, there a neigh

Everywhere a neigh neigh

Old MacDonald had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

Old MACDONALD had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

And on his farm he had a lamb

E-I-E-I-O

With a baa baa here

And a baa baa there

Here a baa, there a baa

Everywhere a baa baa

Old MacDonald had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

Old MACDONALD had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

Old MacDonald had a farm

E-I-E-I-OOOOOOOO.....