



Craft Activity

Theme: Farm Animals - Duck

Intro: Ducks mainly live on water but can be found on farms too. They live for 2-12 years. A male duck is called a drake, a female duck a hen and a baby duck a duckling.

Craft activity: Duck Feet

Children will need: Yellow paint, orange or red paint, paint brush or sponge, white or blue paper, coloured material or ribbon. Children's feet, and cloth or wipes to clean off feet.



Instructions:

Paint your child's feet yellow, get them to put a foot print on to the paper. Paint on a beak with the orange or red paint. With the coloured material or ribbon make a bow and stick on to the duck's neck. Decorate the rest of the picture however you would like.

Extension ideas: Visit a farm, local park or zoo to see the ducks.

Fact: Ducks have webbed feet that act as paddles to help them swim in the water. They never feel the cold or heat through their feet as they have no nerves or blood vessels in them.



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

Coordinator extension ideas and group time guide

Sensory activity: Duck Pond Water Play

You will need: Plastic bowl or tray, water, rubber ducks, nets.

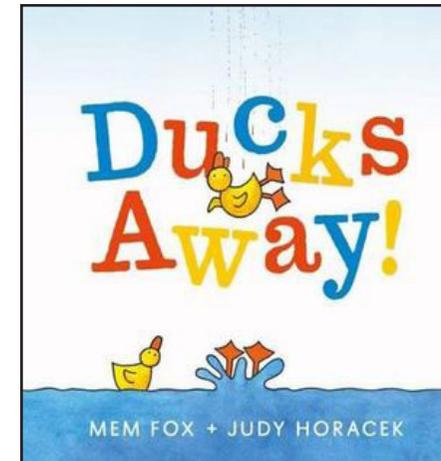
Instructions: Fill tray/bowl with water, put the rubber ducks in to the tray. Let the children try and catch them with the nets. You could add some blue food colouring to the water also.

Outside Activity: Duck Racing

Use half plastic pipes, rubber ducks and water. Tilt the pipes at an angle, using a watering can, run some water down the pipes, add the ducks and see which duck comes first.

Group time ideas:

- Story Time
- Practice waddling like a duck.
- Can you make a duck sound?
- Play "duck, duck goose"



Book Suggestions:

Ducks Away by Mem Fox

10 Little Rubber Ducks by Eric Carle