



## Craft Activity

**Theme:** Blue

**Intro:** Blue is a cool colour. Cool colours are calming or soothing colours. Some popular shades of blue are navy blue, royal blue and indigo. Sapphire is the name of a precious blue gemstone. Did you know that 8% of the world's population have blue eyes? Learn more about the colour Blue at Playgroup today.

**Craft activity:** Blue Collage

**Children will need:** Blue paper/card, a variety of blue craft items e.g. patty pans, pop sticks, match sticks, pom poms, feathers, pipe cleaners, ribbon/material/felt pieces, glue.

**Instructions:** Children can create their own blue collage by gluing blue craft items to a piece of blue paper/card.



### Extension ideas:

Take a walk around the room and outside – what can you see that is the colour blue? You may also like to experiment with colours using blue, red and yellow water. What happens when you mix blue with red or yellow? Make a blue bubble wrap print- paint blue paint onto a piece of bubble wrap, place wrap onto a piece of paper to make bubble prints.

**Fact:** Blue is one of the three primary colours along with red and yellow.



**Learning Outcome 4:** Children are confident and involved learners.

## Coordinator extension ideas and group time guide

### Sensory activity: Snow Balls

**You will need:** Tray, foam shaving cream, bi-carb soda, blue food colouring, vinegar.

**Instructions:** Make snow balls by mixing shaving cream and bi-carb soda together in a tray until a crumbly texture forms. Mould mixture into balls and add some blue drops of food colouring onto each ball. Pour some vinegar over each one. What happens?

### Outside idea: Blue Spaghetti Play

Cook a packet of spaghetti as per packet instructions. Once cooked, drain and rinse with cool water.

Put spaghetti into a container, add a few drops of blue food colouring and mix well. Put blue spaghetti into a tray, along with some plastic scissors for children to cut the pasta. You may also like to hide some plastic animals in the spaghetti for children to find.

### Group time ideas:

Today, we did some activities using the colour blue.

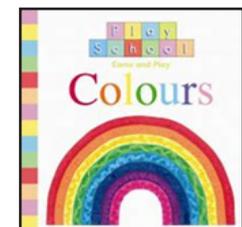
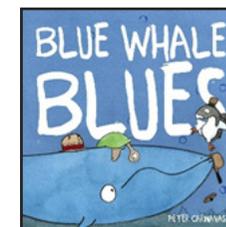
- Who made a blue collage at craft time today?
- What blue things did you glue on your blue collage?
- Whose favourite colour is blue?
- Can anyone see anything around the room that is blue?
- Look at others around you – who has blue eyes?
- We have a story and then some songs to sing about the colour blue.



### Book Suggestions:

Blue Whale Blues by Peter Carnavas

Play School - Come and Play Colours





## What Colour Are You Wearing?

*(to the tune of "Mary had a Little Lamb")*

If you're wearing blue today,  
blue today, blue today,  
If you're wearing blue today,  
stand up and shout "Hooray!"

(Continue using other colours)

## The Colour Song

*(to the tune of "If You're Happy and You Know it")*

If your clothes have any blue, any blue,  
If your clothes have any blue, any blue,  
If your clothes have any blue, put your finger on your shoe,  
If your clothes have any blue, any blue.

Additional Verses:

Red – finger on your head  
Yellow – smile like a happy fellow  
Brown – turn your smile into a frown  
Black – put your hands behind your back  
White – stomp your feet with all your might

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## I Can Sing a Rainbow

Red and yellow and pink and green  
Purple and orange and blue  
I can sing a rainbow,  
Sing a rainbow,  
Sing a rainbow too.

Listen with your eyes,  
Listen with your ears,  
And sing everything you see,  
I can sing a rainbow,  
Sing a rainbow,  
Sing along with me.  
Red and yellow and pink and green  
Purple and orange and blue  
I can sing a rainbow,  
Sing a rainbow,  
Sing a rainbow too!