

The Very Hungry Caterpillar Activities

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Tissue Paper Caterpillars





Images obtained from https://teachpreschool.org/2012/06/21/tissue-paper-caterpillars/

Materials

- Red and green tissue paper
- Construction paper
- Markers or pipe cleaners
- Glue
- Scissors
- Paintbrush
- Paper cups

Prep

- Cut the green tissue paper into large ovals for the caterpillar's body, and cut a red oval for its head
- Mix glue with some water in a paper cup (it should be thin enough to "paint" with)

Make your caterpillar:

Use your paintbrush to put a little of the glue mixture onto the construction paper. Place a green tissue oval on top of the glue and press down. Brush a light coating of the glue mixture on top so the tissue paper is flat. Keep gluing green ovals to your paper in a line until you have the caterpillar's body. Finally, add the red oval for his head. Allow the paper to dry. Once dry, go back and add his eyes, antennae, and legs with a marker or sections of pipe cleaner (glued down).

Story Retell

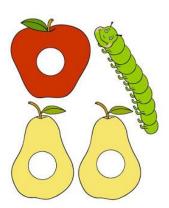


Image obtained from http://cantinhopriscila.blogspot.com/2011/06/historia-eatividades-da-lagartinha.html?m=1

Materials

- Story images (below)
- Construction paper
- Glue
- Scissors

Prep

 Cut out the images below, keeping the individual food separate and the fruit in groups (for example, cut the apple out by itself, but keep the pears in their group of two, and keep the three plums together, etc).

Story Retell Activity – make it language based:

Retell the story together, discussing which food the caterpillar eats as he goes along. Glue each food onto the construction paper in the order he eats it. Talk about what the food is and how many there are ("he ate one apple" or "he ate three plums" – pointing to each plum as you count one, two, three). Use sequencing words like "first, then, next, finally" as you describe the caterpillar's food journey! Watch a video on the life cycle of a butterfly at the end of the activity to help give your child more background knowledge: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O1S8WzwLPIM

