

Science & Math

Bubbles, Rainbows & Worms:

Science Experiments for Preschool Children

Teaches children about the world, using hands-on experiments about plants, the environment, air, water and the senses

372.3504 BROWN



Cook School

Step-by-step photographs and easy, tasty, fun recipes help parents teach kids practical kitchen skills that will remain useful throughout life.

J641.5 GRANT

Garden Fun: Indoors & Out, In Pots & Small Spots

Provides step-by-step instructions for 28 indoor or outdoor gardening adventures, including a salad garden window box, a spiral flower garden and a butterfly paradise in a patio pot.

J635 CONGDON



Mom and Me Cookbook:

Have Fun in the Kitchen

Teaches kids cooking basics, first recipes and tasty, nutritious meal ideas. Ages 3 and up can mix and prepare food they will love to eat, from sweet treats to simple family meals.

E641.5123 KARMEL



Salad People & More Real Recipes:

A New Cookbook for Preschoolers & Up

Kid-friendly vegetarian recipes inspire joyful kitchen adventures and food appreciation.



J641.5636 KATZEN

The Toddler Cookbook

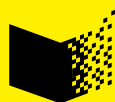
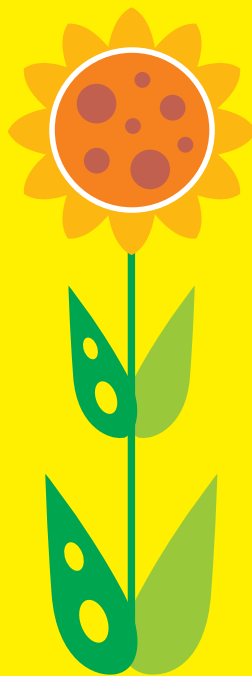
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A collection of simple recipes—such as chicken satay skewers, cutout cookies and homemade lemonade—toddlers can make themselves or assist in preparing.



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Preschooler PLAY

A book list for parents
and other caregivers



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Fun & Learning

The 2,000 Best Games and Activities: 372.21 KETTMAN
The Ultimate Guide to Raising Smart, Successful Kids
Games and activities teach children skills such as communication, decision-making, self-control and self-esteem.

1 2 3 4 Early Learning Skill-Builders: J372.21 TOMCZYK
Colors, Shapes, Numbers & Letters
Fifty activities broaden a young child's knowledge of the world, help acquire skills for future learning success and build a foundation for lifelong learning.

Everything Toddler Activities Book 649.5 LEVINE
Written by an experienced child-care expert, this informative and fun guide shows how to stimulate your child's development with age-appropriate, enjoyable and educational activities.

The Little Hands Playtime Book: J372.5 CURTIS
50 Activities to Encourage Cooperation and Sharing
Open-ended activities, created by a preschool teacher, offer engaging ways to develop communication and sharing skills through positive interaction and cooperative learning.

Read! Move! Learn! 372.21 HAMMETT
Active Stories for Active Learning
Hundreds of play ideas with a listing of the skills they help develop. Also connects books, music and vocabulary to each activity.



The Siblings' Busy Book 790.1922 KEMPSKI
Unique, simple ways to stimulate and entertain children, from babies to school-age kids. Siblings who play together form strong relationships that last a lifetime.

Sing! Play! Create! J372.21 BOSTON
Hands-On Learning for 3- to 7-Year-Olds
Songs provide verbal awareness. Simple games encourage important social skills. Engaging crafts help kids observe, imagine and express themselves.



Tinkerlab: A Hands-On Guide for Little Inventors 600 DOORLEY
Understand and tap into children's natural curiosity and wonder with engaging, kid-tested, easy-to-implement projects that value process over product.



Play

Creating Clever Castles and Cars J745.5 MITCHEL
from Boxes and Other Stuff
Kids learn to improvise by creating something out of nothing. They also practice cooperation, problem-solving and respect for new ideas.



Making Toys for Preschool Children: 371.337 MILLER
Using Ordinary Stuff for Extraordinary Play
Create unique, exciting toys and props to help children learn in age-appropriate ways using boxes, milk cartons, pantyhose and other inexpensive things found around the house.



Rainy Day Play! E790.1922 FUSCO C
Explore, Create, Discover, Pretend
Packed with inspiring ideas, endless self-discovery and playful learning. Encourages kids to explore their creativity, curiosity and imaginations through exciting indoor play.



Unplugged Play: 790.1922 CONNER
No Batteries. No Plugs. Pure Fun.
Hundreds of battery-free, screen-free, chirp-and-beep-free games and fun that stretch the imagination, spark creativity, build strong bodies and forge deep friendships.



Wonderplay Too! Games, Crafts, & Creative Activities for 3- to 6-Year-Olds 793.0192 REITZES
Created by the 92nd St. Y in New York City. Offers more than 200 games, craft projects, cooking, music and dance activities.



Arts & Crafts



Crafts with Kids: 745.5083 JOHNS 2010
Over 40 Fun and Fabulous Projects
Full of exciting projects for parents and children to work on together. Aimed at boys and girls ages 4-10.

First Art for Toddlers and Twos 372.5044 KOHL
More than 75 open-ended art experiences to start little ones on a journey full of exploration and creativity. Includes variations that add to the fun and tips for making activities run smoothly.



Fun Crafts with Textures E701.8 ROS
Focuses on textures of crafting projects and provides information on a texture artist. One of six volumes in the Arts and Crafts Fun series on various aspects of art.



The Kids' Multicultural Craft Book: J745.5 GOULD 35
Crafts from Around the World
Provides instructions for creating projects inspired by past and present cultures from around the world, with background information on the various crafts.



Martha Stewart's Favorite Crafts for Kids 745.5 MARTHA
A guide for crafty kids and their parents mixes a family-friendly design with a treasure trove of creative and educational projects parents and their kids, ages 3-12, can create together.



Rainy Day Book of Things to Make and Do 745.5 RAINY D
Step-by-step instructions for more than 50 creative crafting projects that use readily available materials. Designed for boys and girls ages 3-10.