Ish by Peter Reynolds
Ramon learns a powerful lesson about finding joy in what you do even when it is not perfect.
You may access this book online through the Tumblebooks site on the Pierce County Website:
https://www.piercecountylibrary.org/books-materials/tumblebooklibrary.htm

Ideas for Activities after reading ISH

- Talk with the children about what happened in the story
- What does ‘Ish’ mean?
- Why was Ramon frustrated? Do the children ever feel frustrated? What do they do to feel less frustrated?
- Talk about other feelings and ways that we deal with them
- Put out some paper and markers, crayons, pens and encourage the children to draw their version of “Ish” drawings.
- Go outside and find a place to enjoy just being outside. What do you see? What do you hear?

Good Morning Song
Oh, the duck says "Quack",
and the cow says "Moo",
the old red rooster says
"Cock-a-doodle-doo".
The dog says "Woof",
and the puppy does too,
but I say "Good Morning
when I see you!

Voice and Wings
Water said to Clouds: I was once clouds myself,
with huge wings like yours.
Clouds said to water: I was once water myself,
with a clear singing voice like yours.
~Kinoshita Yūji~

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Learning Ideas for May:

Branch Art

Supplies:
1. Liquid Glue
2. Scraps of paper and fabric
3. Large branch cut from a tree or scrounged

Cover a table with paper. Place the branch in the middle of the table and sprinkle the paper and fabric around. Encourage the children to glue pieces to the branch. Use the branch as classroom decoration.

Sticker Line Up

- Long butcher paper
- Marker
- Colorful Dot stickers

Tape a long piece of butcher paper onto a table or the floor. Draw a curving, turning line on it with the marker. Place the stickers out and encourage the children to cover the line with them. Perhaps hang the paper up on the wall for display afterward.

This activity was found on the Busy Toddler website: www.busytoddler.com

Did You Know?

Parents who have concerns about their child’s development, they can contact their local school district who provide many services—screenings, speech therapy, home visits, etc.

You can find a myriad of early learning information at our website:
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(in the parents/caregivers section of the Kids/Teens menu)