

Support Notes for Rain Cloud hanging mobile

In this art lesson we will make a weather themed hanging mobile rain cloud. The task includes opportunities for developing fine motor skills through drawing, cutting, threading and painting.

Materials

- 2 pieces of A4 card
- Two different paint colours in a pallet
- A cardboard template of a raindrop and a cloud
- Wool or string
- Dried penne pasta
- Optional plastic threading needle
- Scissors
- A pen or pencil
- Hole punch

Preparation

Before the lesson you will need to cut a template of a cloud and raindrop for the children to draw around. String will also need to be cut (3 x 15cm pieces per child)

Extension

- the pasta could be painted bright colours in a prior lesson

Step 1 – Drawing

Using the template draw a cloud on one sheet of card and two raindrops on the other sheet.

Step 2 – Cutting

Cut out the cloud and raindrops

Step 3 – painting

Paint the cloud and raindrops using a sponge followed by bubble wrap

Step 4 – punching

Use a hole punch to make holes in the top of each rain drop and then two holes at the bottom of the cloud and one at the top.

Step 5 Threading

Tie the wool to each raindrop and thread pasta onto the wool. Tie the other end of the wool to the bottom of the cloud

Then tie an additional piece of wool to the top of the cloud and your mobile is ready to hang.