

Appropriate for :
Young Toddlers and Older Toddlers.

Classroom Mobiles



SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- 9” Styrofoam wreath
- 2-1/2 yards 2” wide ribbon and 4 yards 1/2” wide ribbon
- Craft cording (yardage depends on number of pictures you choose to hang)
- 2” to 2.5 “ metal ring
- Hot glue gun
- Paper puncher
- Pictures (pictures can be taken with camera or downloaded from Internet)

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Wrap the 2” ribbon around the wreath and glue the end to hold ribbon in place.
- Cut 1/2” ribbon into 4 strips. Tie the 4 strips of ribbon together at one end, attach metal ring to knotted end, and glue the opposite ends of each strip to the wreath. This should create a large hoop that will allow you to hang the mobile.
- Cut the cording into desired length and the number of strips needed to hang pictures.
- Use paper puncher to create a small hole in each picture and attach to individual strips of cording.
- Tie cording with pictures to wreath and hang mobile(s) in classroom.

What the adult can do to support learning and development in these domains:

- Choose pictures to reflect the interests of the children.
- Talk with children daily about the pictures, especially when children are observed looking at them.
- Change out the pictures regularly to provoke new conversations.

Examples of language that can be used between caregiver and child:

- “What does the dog say when he barks? Yes, woof, woof.”
- “You see your mommy in that picture, don’t you? What will you and mommy do together when you go home?”

This activity highlights support for the following *NCFELD* domain:

Cognitive Development	Approaches to Play & Learning	Language Development & Communication	Emotional and Social Development	Health & Physical Development
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