

Zoo Activities for Monday

On the Move

Elephant Tidy Up

Elephant trunks can do more than you think...even tidy up!

Materials:

- Paper towel tube
- Paper balls
- Basket

Instructions:

1. Create balls by crumpling sheets of paper.
2. Place the paper balls on one end of a table.
3. Place a basket on its side (with the opening facing the paper balls) at the opposite end of the table.
4. Provide your child with their "elephant trunk" (paper towel tube) and instruct them to blow the paper balls into the basket.

Adventures Online

Zoo Animals

Learn about all the animals you see at the zoo. Repeat the name of the zoo animals and provide information about each one.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5cSA31THkOk>

Sensory Time

Zoo Animal Hide and Seek

We're going to the zoo. But where are all the animals? Let's see if we can find them.

Materials:

- Bin
- Plastic zoo animals (elephant, zebra, giraffe, lion, tiger, gorilla, hippopotamus, etc.)
- Shredded or torn paper
- Tongs

Instructions:

1. Place plastic zoo animals in the bin and cover them with shredded or torn paper.
2. Let your child use tongs to search and remove zoo animals from the bin.
3. Provide information to your child about each zoo animal as they remove it from the bin.

Story Time

Saggy, Baggy Elephant

After a parrot makes fun of Sook's wrinkled skin, the "saggy baggy" elephant isn't too sure of himself.

Read Aloud: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LrxINyugcKI>

Arts and Creativity

My Handmade Tiger

Going to the zoo is so much fun, so let's have fun making a tiger with our hands!

Materials:

- Orange and black crayons or markers
- Paper
- A picture of a tiger

Instructions:

1. Trace your toddlers hand or assist them with tracing their hand. Make sure the fingers are facing down.
2. After making your tiger, have your child color the entire hand orange
3. Make black lines going across the fingers and on the palm of the hand to make tiger stripes on the legs & tail.
4. Create the tiger's head, using the thumb and have your child make the tiger's eyes and ears to create your tiger.