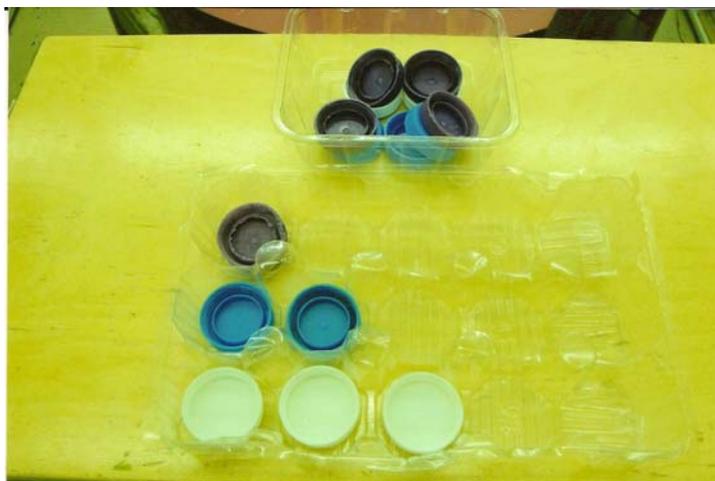


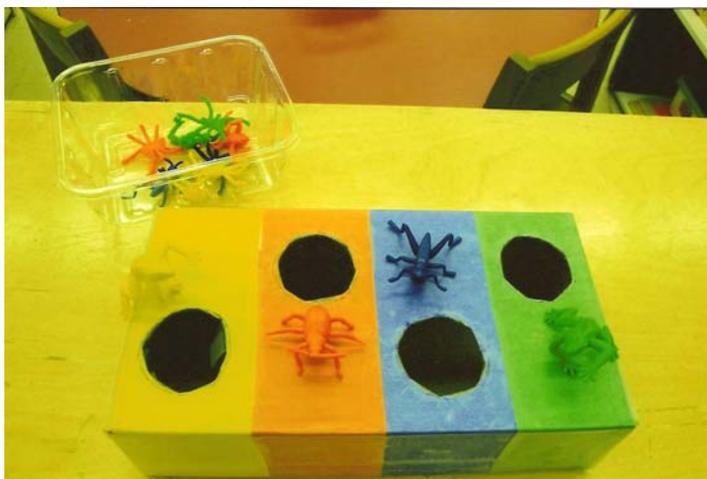
Mrs. Conchita de la Campa, Pre-K Special Education teacher in a Self Contained Autism Spectrum Disorder program at Bent Tree Elementary, Miami, Florida developed these easy and inexpensive individual activities for students in her classroom to use at the Individual Work Area. These activities take into consideration children's interests, IEP goals, and developmentally appropriate practices for young children. She shares them with you!



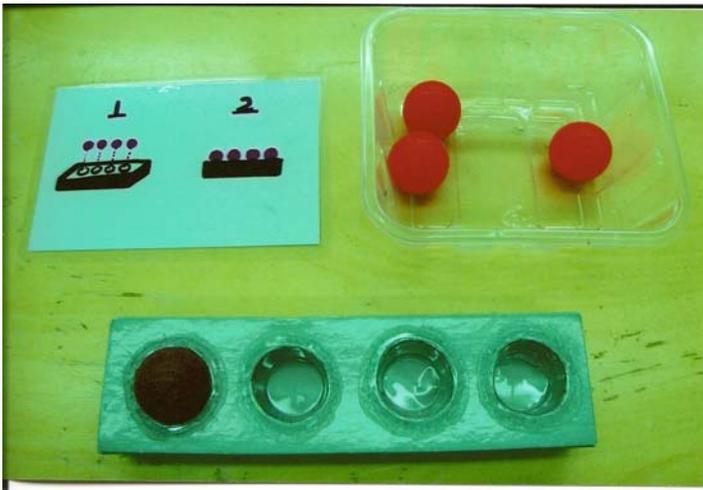
Clear plastic recyclables and milk caps engage students in matching going from left to right, ordering, and fine motor development.



Children use famous characters placed into butter containers to develop eye-hand motor coordination and sorting skills.



Children place creepy insects in a box of chocolates covered with different colors contact paper and with four holes to develop color concepts, matching and eye-hand motor coordination.



For this activity, students are given a visual with steps to follow for eye-hand motor coordination and left to right progression.



Students place Elmo chips into his mouth to develop eye-hand motor coordination and matching skills. Who does not like Elmo?



A food container with one partition cut out and a slot on the other side makes a good activity for students to develop eye-hand motor coordination, color, and pincer grasp.



Students learn to place a card with children's characters into a pocket to make a book. A visual shows them how to do it.



A recycled cookie plastic container serves as a tray for this find and match activity. A,B,C, and 1,2,3, concepts are incorporated.



An inexpensive book with some of the characters in the book color copied, laminated and cut out, assist the student in learning about book concepts, turning one page at a time, and matching the characters to their picture. Velcro is used to keep the pictures in place.



Two butter containers with a picture of ABC and 123 glued on the top and with a slot cut out, show students where to place the pictures.



A wipes container is wrapped with contact paper for students to put the milk caps inside. Arm and hand movement is from bottom to top and from top to bottom. Grab and release, eye-hand motor coordination skills are developed.



Laminate a folder, color, laminate and cut these attractive animals and students are ready to learn about parts of a whole, matching, and eye-hand motor coordination. The Velcro keeps the puzzle pieces in place.



Cut two color circles; glue them in a pattern on a used folder and laminate. Students flip this inexpensive toy to follow the pattern. Yellow, flip for red, flip for yellow and so forth...



After the season, get these cute Easter eggs to develop this activity. Use a box, hot glue two dividers inside to make separations and the student is ready to assemble one egg at a time. Color matching, putting together and eye-hand motor coordination are developed with this activity.



A simple number puzzle helps the student to learn about fitting things together, number concepts and eye-hand motor coordination.



Mickey! Colors and a laminated folder with cut outs engage students in a fun matching game. The names of the colors are written to develop pre-reading skills. Velcro keeps the pictures in place.



Students learn to match colors, and develop strength in their pincer grasp. This is also a pre-writing skill.



A muffin clear tray is placed on a black tray to make a sturdy base for this color matching activity. Students move objects from right to left and place them in their designated colors.



Two simple pictures are used for this activity. One is glued on a cardboard and divided as a puzzle with numbers written from top to bottom. The other picture is laminated and cut into matching puzzle pieces with the numbers on the back. Students match the pieces by number.



A simple book with some of the pictures color copied and laminated is used to teach students matching objects and book concepts.

Start collecting these materials and during the summer relax working on these activities while watching TV. Come to the Pre-K teacher work room to make copies and laminate. Then see your students learn while they enjoy working with the materials you have prepared. Come up with new ideas? Share them with us.