Add & Enhance - "Fun with Fairy Tales"

Enhancing the learning environment is easy! Here are a list of materials you may want to add to your learning areas to enhance the unit, "Fun with Fairy Tales." Feel free to add other materials you feel would your children would enjoy as well. Please see our, "The Environment & the Gee Whiz Curriculum" for more information on materials you should have in your program.

ART AREA

- Construction paper crowns (many colors)
- Stickers
- Paper lunch bags to use for making puppets
- Paper grocery bags cut into vests that the children can use for making costumes
- Assorted small boxes and of tape (to use for making castles)



DRAMATIC PLAY/DRESS-UP

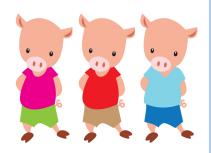
- Dress-up clothing (all kinds!)
- Fairy tale books (for inspiration)
- Folding table and blankets
- Small, medium & large plastic bowls and spoons
- 3 different sized chairs
- Golden eggs (you can sometimes find these during Easter at the dollar store)
- Plastic gold coins (large enough not to be a choking hazard)

BLOCKS

- Folding table and blankets or large cardboard box
- Plastic or plush pig figures & a wolf (if available)
- Picture of the beanstalk from the fairy tale, "Jack and the Beanstalk" mounted to the wall
- Pictures of real castles (find on the internet and print out)
- 3 plush bears (big, medium, little)

LITERACY & WRITING

- Fairy tale books
- Puppet theater (if you have one) and puppets OR a tension curtain rod in a doorway with a curtain panel on it
- Lined and unlined notebooks
- Assorted writing tools including crayons, markers (thin & thick), pencils, etc.



GROSS MOTOR PLAY & MUSIC/MOVEMENT (indoors and outdoors)

- Fairy tale songs
- Access to a climbing apparatus to use as a beanstalk
- Sticks, bricks, straw (for building the Little Pigs houses)
- Large blue blanket (to use as a pond for "The Ugly Duckling"



MANIPULATIVE, SCIENCE, MATH

- Wooden or plastic table blocks (e.g., Duplos®)
- Plastic, plush or rubber pig figures
- Feathers and an unbreakable magnifier
- Food scale and different sized bowls
- Bean seeds for sprouting (and then observing)
- Plastic eggs in the sand table or a container of sand
- Water table with small, medium and large-sized bowls and spoons

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