# **Mother's Day Activities**

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 12th. Are you ready? At Gee Whiz, we are happy to provide you with ideas to help you celebrate this special day with your little ones. Just keep in mind when planning Mother's Day activities that some children may not live with their mothers or have frequent contact with them. If this is the case, have them make their gift for another special person in their life instead. Our gift would work well for anyone ... father, grandmother, cousin, neighbor, etc. We've also included a song to teach the children that is easy to learn so those who are more verbal can then sing to their mothers or other special people on Mother's Day.

At the end of this document, you will have find a fun fill-in-theblank activity you can do with each child about his/her mother or another special person in his/her life. They can dictate and you can write...talking about letters & letter sounds as you do so.

> HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY (tune: "The Wheels on the Bus")

Happy, happy Mother's Day, Mother's Day, Mother's Day. Happy, happy Mother's Day. I love you! (child blows kiss)

Here's a big hug just for you, Just for you, just for you. Here's a big hug just for you, Happy Mother's Day! (child gives hug)

### **Mother's Day Project**

At Gee Whiz, we believe the best gifts are those that are created by the children. When children create, they make choices and express their own creativity. To create this special project, provide the children with a copy of the printable on either page 2 or 3 of this document. Then, provide them with multiple materials they can use to decorate the heart. Here are some a few ideas to get you started!

- Fingerprints with paint
- Torn colorful art tissue
- Torn wrapping paper scraps
- Dot markers
- Any kind of paint/markers
- Any kind of art materials (aluminum foil, doilies, scraps or fabric, etc.)

Available in English & Spanish.









## Here is another Mother's Day gift idea!

#### **MATERIALS NEEDED:**

- □ 1 bedding plant flower per child (e.g., marigold, petunia, vinca, etc.)
- □ 16 ounce plastic cups (1 per child)
- □ Potting soil (untreated)
- □ Small trowels, hand shovels or even large spoons
- □ Small watering can with water
- Copy of the Mother's Day poem (next page) for each child (available in English & Spanish)
- □ Paint, paper towels, shallow dishes, child-safe scissors, clear tape





#### STEPS:

- Soak folded paper towels with paint in shallow dishes. Use as many colors as you would like.
- Print out the following page (poem) and cut apart. Print each child's name on the paper below the words, "Happy Mother's Day" or have those children who are ready do this on their own. Give each child a poem and invite him/her to press his/her fingers in paint and then on the paper to create fingerprints. Wash hands and allow to dry.
- Next, have each child choose a flower to plant in a 16 oz. plastic cup. As the children remove the flowers from their containers, talk about the parts of a flower (roots, stem, leaves, flower, etc.). This is an excellent way to tie in science! Then, have each child put some potting soil in the bottom of his/her cup and then add the flower. Additional soil may be needed on top. Have the children lightly water their flowers. Set aside.
- Once the paint dries, tape each child's poem to his/her flower cup. You may need to fold the paper slightly in the back and/or trim to make it fit just right. Happy Mother's Day!

Flowers grow in the warm sun, And this one is a special one. I picked it out to give to you To let you know that, "I love you!"

### HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY 2024!

Flowers grow in the warm sun, And this one is a special one. I picked it out to give to you To let you know that, "I love you!"

### HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY 2024!

Las flores crecen bajo el cálido sol, Y éste es especial. Lo escogí para dártelo Para hacerte saber que "¡Te amo!"

# ¡FELIZ DÍA DE LA MADRE 2024!

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# ¡FELIZ DÍA DE LA MADRE 2024!

| All abo                  | out My Mom                  |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| My mom's favorite food   | l is:                       |
| My mom's favorite thin   | ng to do on the weekend is: |
| My mom is                | years old.                  |
| The thing I love best ab | out my mom is:              |
|                          |                             |

| Todo sot                 | pre mi mamá                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| La comida favorita de m  | i mamá es:                    |
| Lo que más le gusta hace | er a mi mamá el fin de semana |
| es:                      |                               |
| Mi madre es              | años.                         |
| Lo que más amo de mi m   | amá es:                       |
|                          |                               |
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| A         | ll about My           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Му        | 's favorite fo        | od is:                      |
| My        | 's favorite thin      | ng to do on the weekend is: |
| Му        | is                    | years old.                  |
| The thing | g I love best about m | yis:                        |

| Tode         | o sobre mi         |       | -    |
|--------------|--------------------|-------|------|
| La comida fa | vorita de mi       | es:   |      |
| -            | e gusta hacer a mi |       | n de |
| Mi           | es                 | años. |      |
| Lo que más a | mo de mi           | es:   |      |