Mother's Day Activities

Mother's Day is coming soon! 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.





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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!

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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!

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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!

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!

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¡FELIZ DÍA DE LA MADRE!

All about My Mom My mom's favorite food is: My mom's favorite thing to do on the weekend is: My mom is ______ years old. The thing I love best about my mom is: ____

Todo sobre mi mamá

La comida favorita de mi mamá es: _____

Lo que más le gusta hacer a mi mamá el fin de semana es:

Mi madre es _____ años.

Lo que más amo de mi mamá es: _____

All about My ____ My ______''s favorite food is: My _______'s favorite thing to do on the weekend is: My _____ is _____ years old. The thing I love best about my _____ is:

Todo sobre mi La comida favorita de mi _____ es: Lo que más le gusta hacer a mi _____ el fin de semana es: ____ Mi _____ es ____ años. Lo que más amo de mi _____ es: