

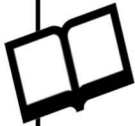


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There are more Optional Activitiess online as well.

Morning Circle

(Have a special bag prepared in which you've placed three items beginning with the letter "a." For today's lesson, at least two of these items should be red as well.)

Introduce today's topic by pulling a nice red apple out of your "letter bag." Explain that "apple" begins with the letter "a." Pull other "a" items out of the bag and talk about their beginning sounds.



Read Autumn is for Apples, by Michelle Knudsen (Random House Books for Young Readers, July 24, 2001.)

Music & Movement:

"Apple Toss:" Set up bushel baskets (or any ordinary basket) and let the children takes turns tossing beanbag "apples" into them.

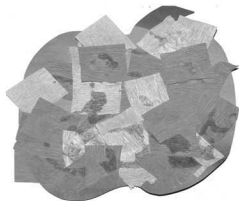


Sing the "Apple Song:" (original author unknown)
(Tune: "Itsy Bitsy Spider")
Once a little apple seed was planted in the ground.
Down came the soft rain, falling all around.
Out came the big sun as bright as bright could be.
And that little apple seed grew up to be an apple tree!"

Snack Time: Applesauce

Art Activity

Torn Tissue
Paper Apples.



Provide each child with a large paper apple, a sheet of red tissue paper, and a small square of green tissue paper. Let children brush glue over the apple, then tear the tissue paper into bits and cover the apple.

Center Activities



1. Seed sorting. Provide magnifying glasses as well so children can examine the seeds up close.
2. Apple exploration. Provide various types of apples for the children to investigate. Cut some in half and provide saucers of food coloring so the children can make apple prints on paper.
3. Fruit stand. Let children set up their own grocer's stand with play fruit, aprons, play money..

Bible Story †

Bible Storytime:

3 in 1 (A Picture of God), by Joanne Marxhausen.
Use an actual apple to demonstrate the idea of the story.



Bible Verse Bracelets:

"For there is one God
and one Mediator between God and men the Man
Christ Jesus." 1 Timothy 2:5

Song: "Jesus is the Only Way to God," from
"Follow the Saviour" cd by Colin Buchanan.
(See colinbuchanan.com.au) (optional song below)

Additional Activites

Plan a trip to a local orchard or farm. Pick and taste apples. Take a tractor ride. Discuss how apples make it from seed to store.

Optional Bible Song: (Tune: Are you Sleeping)
God the Father, God the Father
God the Son, God the Son
God the Holy Spirit, God the Holy Spirit
3 in 1, 3 in 1