

Creation Station

Learning Objective: Using Language to write about objects

Materials:

- 'Junk' (cardboard tubes, clothespins, paperclips, broken toys, string, lids)
- Large Box
- Art Supplies (glue, paint, markers)
- Recording Form

Presentation and Storage:

This is an easy center to set up because all you need is a box of 'junk'. You might include cardboard tubes, clothespins, paperclips, scrap paper, broken manipulative, string, microwave food trays, envelopes, and lids. If you ask students and their parents, friends, and relatives to collect junk, you will soon have more than you need. Place collected junk in a large box clearly labelled with the title and picture of the center or separate it into resealable bags.

Process:

Invite students to use junk to make models or inventions. Students may construct rocket ships, mousetraps, playground equipment, plumbing systems, holiday gifts, pet supplies, storage facilities, computer gadgets, eating utensils, or stylish outfits. Have students write detailed descriptions of their materials, processes, and final products on the recording form.

Helpful Hints:

Display finished creations in the classroom. If space is limited or if you want to reuse materials, just have the children complete the recording form. Remember to periodically add new junk to the box if students don't reuse materials.

Name: _____ Date: _____

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Draw it!

Describe it!

Materials

Process

Product