

DINOSAURS

PARENT HANDOUT

CIRCLE TIME

DINOSAUR PROWL Tune: I'm a Little Teapot

*I'm a mean old dinosaur, big and tall.
Here is my tail, here is my claw.
When I get all hungry, I just growl.
Look out kids, I'm on the prowl!*

Pass out dinosaur figures to children.

HEY DINOSAUR Rhythmic Chant

*Hey, brontosaurus!
Hey, stegosaurus!
Hey, tyrannosaurus!
Hey, hey, hey!*

Children play drums to chant.

DINOSAUR STOMP Group Movement Activity

Children stomp on giant "dinosaur" foot prints under a prehistoric land parachute.

Play haunting background music.
Add a strobe light.

CREATIVE PLAY STATIONS

Free play with theme puzzles, playdoh, big vinyl blocks and bubbles

DINO DIG Messy Play

Children and parents play together at a messy table filled with used dried coffee grounds, plastic dinosaurs, and plaster eggs. Provide sieves, paint brushes and shovels.

FOSSIL FUN Creative Play

Children press small dinosaur figures into brown clay to make impressions. Label with child's name and take home.


JURASSIC PARK Communication/ Pretend Play

Children and parents set up a prehistoric land with dinosaur figures, rocks, and trees. Use the words "over" and "under."

GO HOME DINO Problem Solving Plan


Children and parents sort dinosaurs by size into cave boxes. Have three sizes of dinosaurs and three sizes of caves.

SNACK TIME

 Lettuce leaf and pretzel rod "prehistoric trees" and juice

HOME PLAY

Praise your child. Hug, kiss, smile, and say, "You're Stupendous!"

 Collect natural materials and press into dough to make fossils.

TEN THINGS EVERY CHILD NEEDS

 Interaction  Loving Touch  Stable Relationship  Safety and Health  Self Esteem  Quality Child Care  Communication  Play  Music  Reading