

ABC Sticks Activity Guide

Supplies for activities needed:

- 26 popsicle sticks
- ABC magnets
 - OR ABC foam stickers, or regular ABC stickers
- Hot glue gun with designated glue stick
 - An adult will need to help with this supply
- A cup

- School Readiness Outcomes (SRO) goals met:
 - This activity will help the child experiment and become familiar with using various tools and materials - Beginning Writing
 - This activity will help the child learn to copy or write identifiable letters and words - Beginning Writing
 - This activity will help the child work on complex projects with a familiar adult - Relates to Adults
- Instructions
 1. First, the child will need to gather their supplies. The child will need to get their ABC letters (I prefer magnets!) and a cup. The child will also need to count out 26 popsicle sticks to use with the 26 letters of the alphabet.
 2. After the supplies are gathered, plug the hot glue gun in close to the child's working station. A glue stick will be needed with the hot glue gun. An adult should be the one helping and/or doing this process. The hot glue gun should be warmed for 3-5 minutes or whatever the package designates for a warm-up time.
 3. Next, the child will need to sort out their ABC's. Place the letters in alphabetical order to be organized throughout the activity. The child may also put a popsicle stick by each letter,

if they wish. Otherwise, the child can keep their popsicle sticks in their cup and grab one at a time when gluing the letters onto the sticks.

4. Once the letters are sorted, the hot glue gun may be ready to start using. Take the first letter, A, and put hot glue onto the entirety of the magnet. The magnet should be covered with glue, not the letter itself.
5. Place the letter with glue onto the tip of a popsicle stick and hold for about 3 seconds. Then, place the popsicle stick with the glued letter onto the working space to further dry.
6. Repeat steps 4 and 5 for the remainder of the letters and popsicle sticks. In the end, there should be 26 different letters hot glued onto 26 popsicle sticks.
7. The child may use the popsicle sticks to spell their name and other words they would like to spell. The child can create another set of ABC sticks if they would like to as well to spell with the same letter more than once! Enjoy!



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