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Ages 1
and up



Autumn leaf nature collage

This activity involves the collection of fallen leaves and gives children a chance to connect with the environment around them and examine and explore different elements in nature.

Learning benefit/skill development

- Builds children's sensory exploration skills as they touch and create.
- Extends children's creative skills and ability.
- Builds connection to the environment and understanding of changing seasons.
- Develops fine motor skills as children manipulate the glue and leaves and stick onto paper.

What you'll need

- Basket or bag (to hold the leaves)
- Leaves of all shapes and sizes
- Glue or glue sticks (water based or non-toxic)
- Paper or cardboard - to present the collage

Instructions

- Collect the leaves with your child from the backyard, garden or local park.
- Set up the table with the leaves, glue and paper/ cardboard.

- Encourage your child to add glue first and then stick the leaves onto the paper.

Tips / special instructions

- Talk to your child about the colours and pattern of the leaves and what they feel like.
- Encourage your child to explore and collect a variety of leaves and different textures.
- Option to explore and collect similar natural elements such as twigs, bark and small branches and talk about them.

