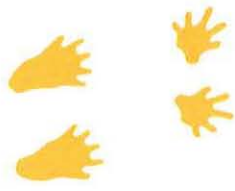




Meeting 18 Stamping Fun

The following activities are fun ways for Eager Beavers to play while learning about stamping. Adapt the activities to meet the needs of your Eager Beavers or create your own activities.





MEETING LENGTH

60-80 MINUTES

- Opening (5 minutes)
- Story Time (10 minutes)
- Activities (40-60 minutes)
- Closing (5 minutes)

Opening

Using a beaver puppet, greet each of the children by name and welcome them all to Eager Beavers. Have the children sit in a circle.

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MINUTES



Listen to a story about shapes.

CHIP COMPLETED

STAMPING FUN



Story Time

SHAPES

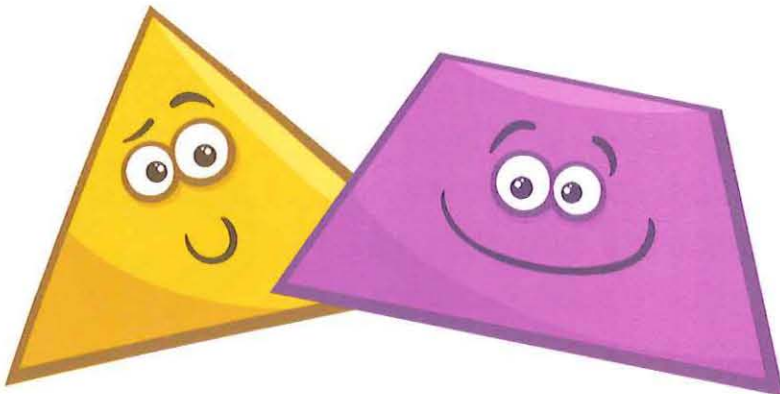
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MINUTES

Read a book about shapes, such as *My Very First Book of Shapes* by Eric Carle (Philomel, 2005), *Round Is a Tortilla: A Book of Shapes* by Roseanne Thong and John Parra (Chronicle, 2015), *Round Is a Mooncake: A Book of Shapes* by Roseanne Thong and Grace Lin (Chronicle, 2014), or a book of your choice. Then show the children some stamps with different shapes and tell the children they are going to play with stamps.

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Book about shapes
- Rubber stamps, different shapes





The following activities fulfill the requirements for the Stamping Fun chip.

Paper Tube Stamps

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MINUTES

WHAT YOU DO

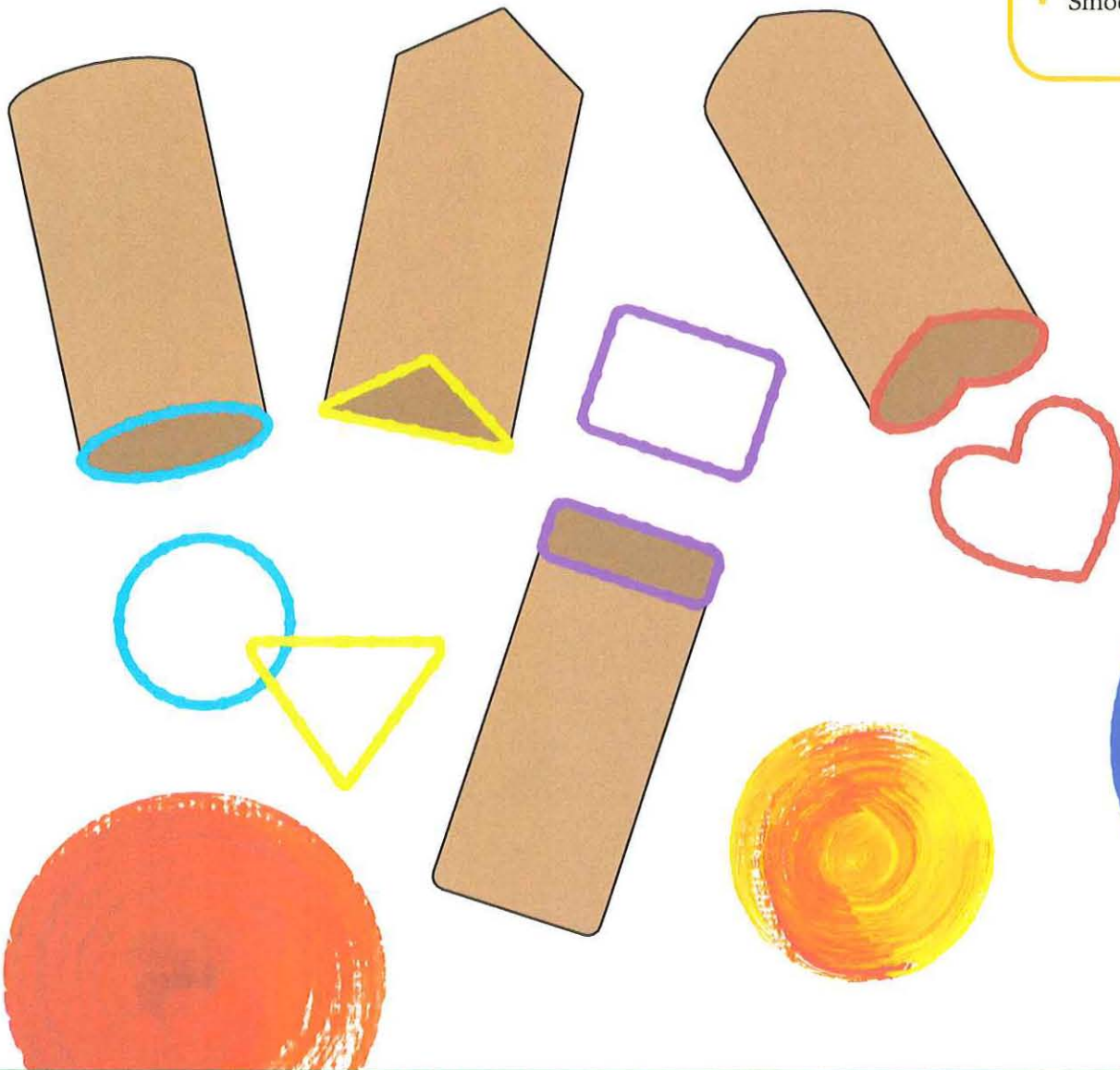
Ahead of time: Form the craft paper tubes into a variety of shapes such as hearts, triangles, and squares. Cover the work area with newspaper.

Begin by modeling to the Eager Beavers how to dip the end of the tubes into paint and then stamp the paper. Encourage the children to fill the paper with shapes and colors. You may want to give the children more than one sheet of paper so they can try a variety of designs and colors.

1 ACTIVITY

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Craft paper tubes
- Tempera paint
- Paper plates
- Large sheets of paper
- Newspaper
- Smocks



ACTIVITY

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MATERIALS NEEDED

- Fruit and vegetables to use for stamps: celery sticks, apple halves, mushroom caps, sliced okra, bell pepper halves, corn on the cob, cauliflower florets, etc.
- Tempera paint
- Paper plates
- Fish Art (see p. 169 or Pinterest)
- Large sheets of paper
- Newspaper
- Smocks

Rainbow Fish

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MINUTES

WHAT YOU DO

Ahead of time: Prepare the fruit and vegetables. Cover the work area with newspaper.

Show the children how each piece of fruit or vegetable can be used to make a print. Then give each child a fish pattern to fill in with fruit and vegetable stamps. The children can use as many colors or types of produce as they want. You may want to give the children more than one fish pattern so they can try many different stamps. You can also give the children large sheets of blank paper to stamp once they have finished the fish.



Find Fish Art at
[Pinterest.com/AdventSource](https://www.pinterest.com/AdventSource)



Mesh Bag Stamps

WHAT YOU DO

Ahead of time: Cut mesh netting into 4 × 4 in (10 × 10 cm) squares. Make the mesh stamping bags by placing scraps of fabric or cotton balls in the center, gathering up the edges, and using string or rubber bands to tie the top of the mesh bags shut. You will need one bag for each color used by each child. For example, if each child has red, yellow, and blue paint, he or she will need three mesh bag stamps.

Show the children how to daub the mesh bag with paint. Then have them repeatedly stamp the paper with the mesh bag. They don't need to put the mesh bag in the paint each time they stamp. Part of the fun of stamping is the different shades created by repeatedly using the stamp. Have the children fill up the paper with as many stamps and colors as they can.

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MINUTES

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ACTIVITY

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Tempera paint
- Mesh netting from orange, potato, onion, or other produce bags
- Rubber bands or string
- Scraps of fabric or cotton balls
- Paper plates
- Large sheets of paper
- Newspaper
- Smocks





Closing

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MINUTES



Gather the children into a circle and ask them a specific question about what they learned during Eager Beavers. Say a prayer and then ask for an Eager Beaver to volunteer to pray for the group. Rejoin the rest of the Adventurers for the closing program.



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