Unit Topic: Transformation

Essential Question: What is transformation and how do things change?

> Focus Question: What changes around me?

Word of the Day TRANSITION

**Print the word TRANSITION. Identify the sounds and letters of the word. Discuss the definition.



Transition

A process of changing from one situation to another

Foundational Text Read Aloud: Little Tree by Loren Long



A young tree holds tight to his leaves, even as everyone else lets theirs drop. Click here <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CGquWvJH39M</u>

Discussion Questions

Critical thinking skills are foundational to learning and educational success.

Level 1:

Recall Why did Little Tree stay little when all of the other trees started to grow bigger?

Why did Little Tree finally decide to let go of his leaves?

What happened after Little Tree dropped his leaves?

Level 2:

Skill/Concept Why do you think Little Tree wanted to keep his leaves for so long?

Why do you think the animals in the forest tried to help Little Tree drop his leaves?

How do you think Little Tree felt about staying the same when all of the other trees were growing and changing?

Little Tree Song https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EGO-s7XMFxk

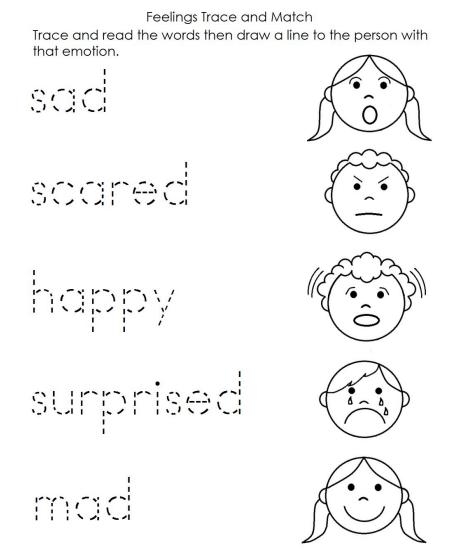
Activity 1

Cooking Experience

Use a child friendly cookbook to find a recipe that you could make together. Talk with your child about the changes that occur throughout this cooking experience. For example, "When combined, the milk and flour transformed into mush!"

Activity 2

Objective: Children will consider some of the emotional aspects of change.



Activity 3

Sing the "I Have Feelings" song:

I Have Feelings

(Tune: Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star)

I have feelings (point to self)

So do you (point to children)

Let's all sing about a few.

I am happy (make a big smile)

I am sad (frown)

I get scared (cross arms and make scared face)

I get mad (make fists and stomp feet)

I am proud of being me (hands on hips, shoulders straight, smile)

That's a feeling too, you see.

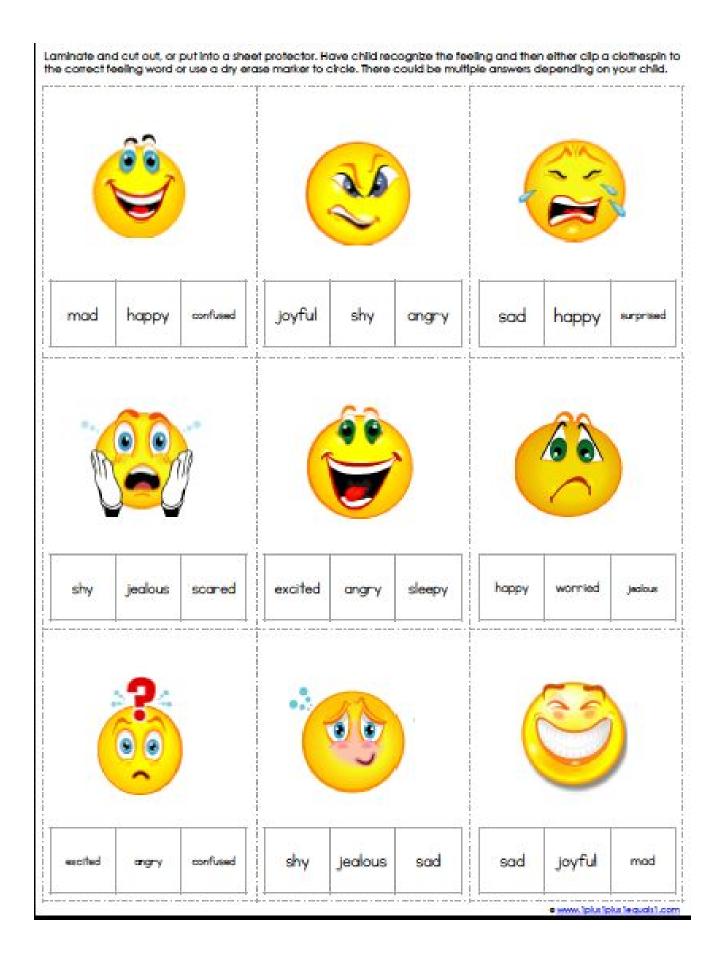
I have feelings (point to self)

You do, too (Point to children)

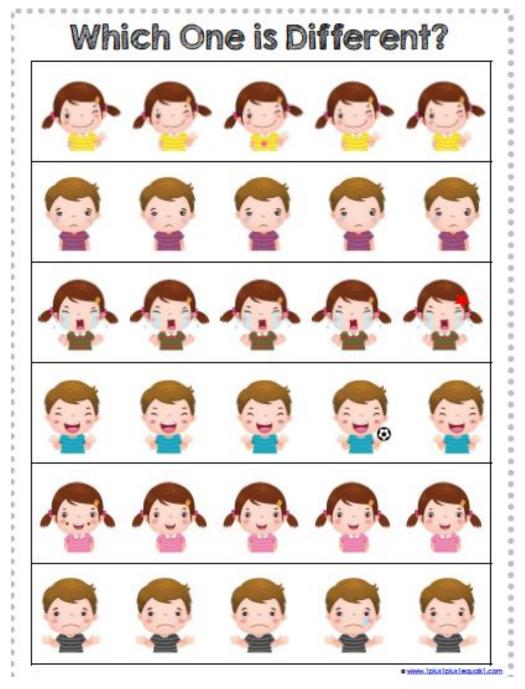
We just sang about a few.

I FEEL

I feel happy when
I feel angry when
I feel Sad when
I feel scared when
I feel excited when



Be a Detective



Use the next 2 pages to create a Matching Game

3 Part Cards... See blog post here showing them in action

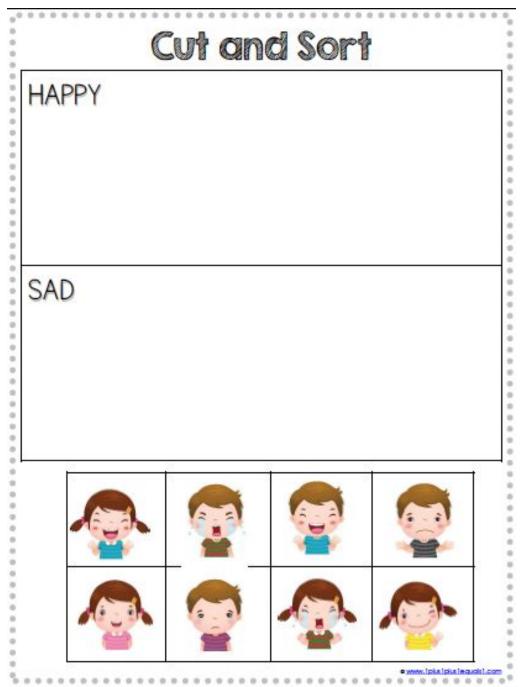
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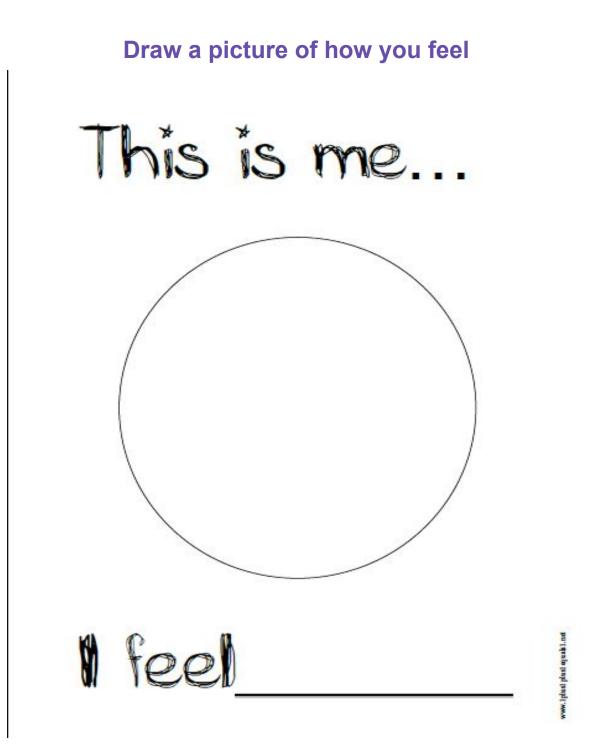
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Cut and Sort





Emotions scavenger hunt checklist

Look for people who match the emotions and feelings. Cross off the emotions as you find them



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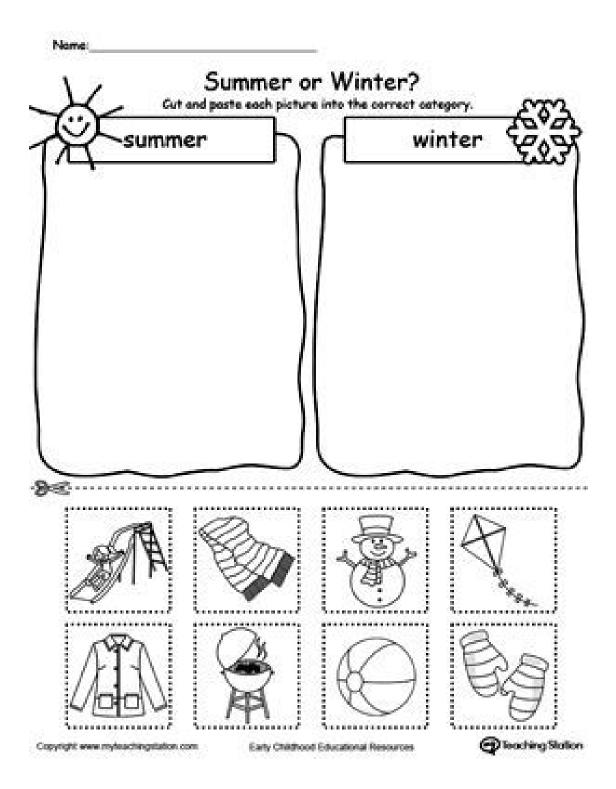
Four Seasons Craft

Seasonal Hand Art Craft for Kids

Artwork showing the same tree in the four different seasons. Trace your child's hand to make the tree trunk. Then label the four season trees. Dip a Q-tip in different color paints and dot onto the tree.



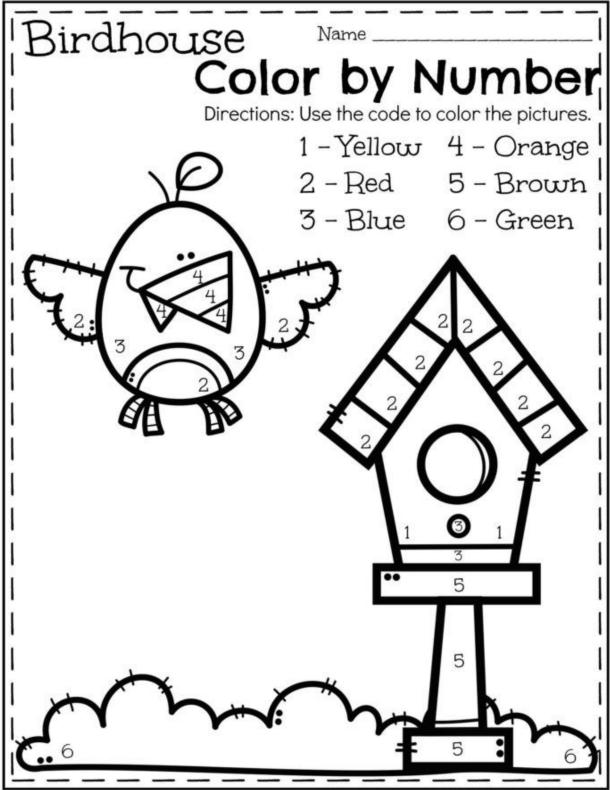
Have fun learning, playing, and crafting with the seasons.



4 SEASONS



Following Directions



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