

Subject:

Settling down activities/Preliminary activities

Activity:

Outlining with seeds

Type:

Individual

Age:

2 ½ -3 years

Material:

- A Tray with a mesonite card or a hard cardboard of size 5" x 5" square. A simple outline of a familiar shape is drawn on it. The shape should not have sharp corners or intricate patterns. A bowl full of sufficient rajma seeds.

Procedure:

Note: The directress has to ensure that the material is adequate, clean and in proper order for use.

- Invite the child.
- With the child seated on the adult's left side, place board on the center of the chowki a little towards the child.
- The bowl of seeds have to be placed on top left of the chowki.
- Let the child feel the seed and the adult slowly one by one begins to place the seeds on the outline.
- Half way through invite the child to take over the activity.
- After completion, the child is shown how to lift the seed one by one and gracefully keep it back in the bowl.

Control of Error:

- Lies in visual inspection.

Points of Interest:

- Introducing one seed of rajma to the child.
- Placing and removing seeds one by one.

Direct Aim:

- The child learns to place seeds on the outline.

Indirect Aims:

- Child learns to develop patience.
- Develops eye hand coordination.
- Leads to concentration.

Application/Extension:

- Different drawings can be outlined.
- Things used for outlining can be:
 - Tamarind seeds
 - Pistachio shells
 - Apricot seeds
 - Peanut shells
 - Beads