

Subject:

Settling down activities/Preliminary activities

Activity :

Pairing of identical pictures

Type:

Individual

Age:

2 ½ years

Material:

- A tray with 3– 4 pairs of pictures of size 6”x 8” approx. The pictures should be of familiar things ex. Animals. The picture should be bold and clear with distinctive features belonging to one group. The background should be neutral and identical. A mat.

Procedure:

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

- Invite the child. Show him where the material is kept.
- Place the tray with pictures on the mat.
- Put the pictures in a mixed pool in front of you.
- Keep the tray away from the vision of the child.
- Isolate only one picture and put in front of the child.
- Point out the distinctive features.
- Compare the picture to other pictures one by one. Each time point out its distinctive features.
- After finding identical pair, place it separately on the top left of the mat.
- Repeating the process, pair all the pictures.
- Check. Put the pictures back into a mixed pool.
- Invite the child to try the activity.

Control of Error:

- Visual inspection in seeing that all the pictures are paired.

Points of interest:

- Pointing out the distinctive features.
- Following the process of isolation, comparison, rejection and identification.

Direct aim:

- To show the child how to pair identical pictures.

Indirect aims:

- Classification skills
- Concentration
- Observation skills

Application/Extension:

- Pairing other pictures like flowers, fruits, vegetables, transport etc.
- Pairing real objects in the environment like flowers, books etc.