

Child's Growth and Learning

Domain: Approaches to Learning

Key Element: Reasoning and Problem Solving

ACTIVITY	OBJECTIVES	MATERIALS
Collection of Shiny Things	<p>Student will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ask questions to further knowledge plan and conduct investigations gather information construct an explanation communicate findings <p>Student will learn how to solve problems together</p>	<p>Paper bag for each student</p> <p>Note for student and parent to bring something shiny from home to explore in the discovery center</p>

Lesson Plan

Students will fill paper bag with a shiny object brought from home. As students arrive, they are invited to remove the shiny things from their bags and place them on a tray. Teacher will have extra bags of shiny objects for those who were not able to bring them. During a whole group time, teacher will talk about the new things that will be placed in the center. Students will verbally share information about their shiny object. Teacher will provide reminder that the objects will be available during center time and request that the objects be put back on the tray and then the tray on a shelf for the next user.

Guidance/Facilitation/Teacher Behaviors

Teacher will guide student's learning in the discovery center through use of open ended questions. Teacher will help students consider another point of view. Teacher will use questions and comments that relate to what the child is experiencing.

Procedure/Process/Expected Child Behaviors

Students will talk about the items they contributed to the center and think of ways to use them during a whole group activity. During center time, students will explore the objects, compare and contrast, use active exploration to solve problems and make predictions.

Extensions

Teacher will provide additional objects or materials to extend the learning using the shiny items through observing students investigation of the objects

Evaluation

Observe, ask open ended questions, reflect on student interest, involvement, and extended learning