

Colours



From a very early age, children are interested in colour in their world. Discovering, mixing and matching colours are exciting experiences that encourage imagination.

This week we explore colour in nature, painting, culture, food and experiments.

We paint a rainbow, stage a pink piggy opera, visit a sari shop and a paint factory!

There are endless possibilities for children to interact and play with colour.

Episode 1



PRESENTERS

Teo Gebert and Rachel Coopes

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

TOLD STORY

Frieda's Fandango

(A story told by the Play School team)

FILM

East Point Reserve

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Make a fish mobile using coloured cellophane.
- Create an underwater scene in an old shoe box. Add seaweed, fish and a diver.
- When choosing your clothes for the day, dress in your favourite colour.

SONGS

Making Things is Fun

Composer: Scott Aplin & Phil Barton

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Swim Like A Fish

Composer: Chris Harriott & Simon Hopkinson

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Fish Fandango

Composer: Peter Dasent & Tammy Burnstock

Publisher: Control / Origin / ABC Music

Publishing

I Can Sing A Rainbow

Composer: Arthur Hamilton

Publisher: Edward H. Morris & Co.

Everybody Get Together

Composer: Peter Dasent & Sophie Emtage

Publisher: Control / Origin

Little White Duck

Composer: Walt Borrows & Bernard Zaritsky

Publisher: Southern Music Publishing c/o Peer Music

MAKE AND DO



How to Make Water Racing Ducks

You will need:

- Shallow container for water
- Blue food dye
- 2 plastic ducks
- Large drinking straws

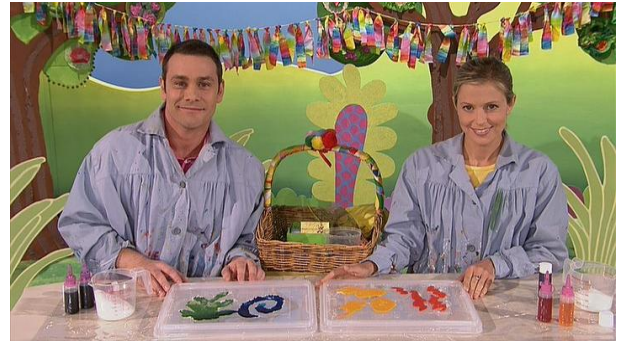
Fill container with water.

Place ducks on water.

Blow through straws to move ducks across the water.

Set up a start and finish line and race ducks with a friend.

You might also like to set up some obstacles in the water as an extra challenge!



How to Make Salt Pictures

You will need:

- Clear plastic container lids or a plastic sheet
- Glue sticks
- Salt
- Coloured food dye in eye-dropper or squeeze bottles

Draw a picture on the plastic sheet using your glue stick.

Pour salt onto your glue design.

Shake off excess salt to reveal a white salty picture.

Add colour to your design with droplets of food dye.

Episode 2



PRESENTERS

Emma Palmer and Luke Carroll

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

TOLD STORY

Debra The Zebra

(A story told by the Play School team)

FILM

School Of The Air

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Children can make their own video, acting out their favourite nursery rhymes in dress up.
- Make colourful zoo animals using different objects from around the house e.g. balls of wool, stickers, egg cartons, toilet rolls, patty pans.
- Blow bubbles and look at the rainbow of colours that appear.

SONGS

All The Colours Of The Rainbow

Composer: Colin Buchanan & Keith Robert

Publisher: Rondor

Jump & Jiggle

Composer: Edna G. Buttolph & Evelyn Beyer

Publisher: Willis Music Co.

Lavender Blue

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Mary, Mary Quite Contrary

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Baa, Baa Black Sheep

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Mary Had A Little Lamb

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Oomba Baroomba

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

MAKE AND DO



How To Make a Rainbow Painting

You will need:

- Large flat surface
- Large piece of paper
- Paint rollers
- 6 water colour paints in large shallow containers

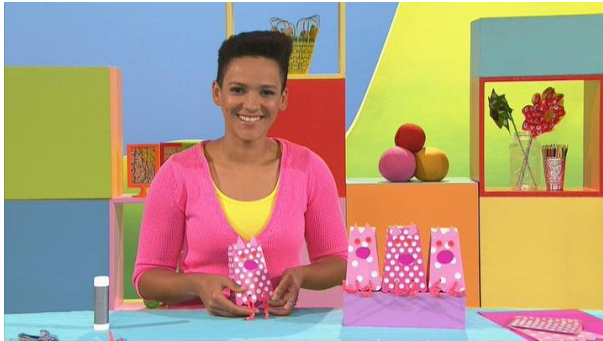
Cover paint rollers with water colour paints.

Make a picture of a rainbow. Start with red at the top, then work your way down using all the other colours you have.

Hang to dry.

Use your finished painting to decorate the fridge, use as wrapping paper or find a colourful photo frame for your artwork.

Episode 3



PRESENTERS

Zindzi Okenyo & Teo Gebert

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

STORY

This Little Piggy Went Dancing

Author: Margaret Wild

Illustrator: Deborah Niland

Publisher: Allen & Unwin, 2013

FILM

Double Decker Bus

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Make your own piggy puppets using some old pink socks.
- Go on a bus ride and find all the "red" things or all the "green" things.
- Gather soft toys from around the house, dress them up in a theme colour and put on a concert with some of your favourite music.

SONGS

Driving In The Car

Composer: Peter Dasent & Sophie Emtage

Publisher: Origin/Control

The Green Grass Grew All Around

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

The Wheels On The Bus

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

I Like To Sing

Composer: Peter Dasent & Garth Frost

Publisher: Origin / Control

May I Come Over To Your Place

Composer: Henrietta Clark

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

MAKE AND DO



How to Make a Colour Race Track

You will need:

- Coloured scarves for a road
- Coloured balloons attached to cardboard cones to form road markers
- Tissue box to use as a car
- Toy
- Coloured paper circles to use as clues

Place scarves on floor to form a road.

Place coloured balloon road markers along scarf road.

Place coloured paper circles behind each road marker.

Place toy in the tissue box car.

Move box car around the scarf road to find each colour clue.

How to Make a Pig Box Puppet

You will need:

- Cardboard box (preferably pink)
- Sticker spots for eyes
- Paper circle for snout
- Pink paper cut into 2 triangle shapes for ears
- Hole punch
- Pipe cleaners for legs and tail
- Glue stick

Attach snout and ears with a glue stick.

Stick on sticker spots for eyes.

Use hole punch to make holes in box for legs and tail.

Feed the pipe cleaners through the holes to make legs and a curly tail.

Episode 4



PRESENTERS

Teo Gebert and Emma Palmer

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

TOLD STORY

The Wibbly Wobbly Restaurant

(A story told by the Play School team)

FILM

Buying A Sari

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Mix coloured paint together and see what new colours you can create.
- Make a rainbow jelly cake. Add different jelly colours to form a layered rainbow. Use a clear container so you can see the colours.
- Visit a zoo and observe the penguins walking.

SONGS

Munch An Apple

Composer: Peter Dasent & Sophie Emtage

Publisher: Origin / Control

Jelly On A Plate

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Climbing Up The Rainbow

Composer: Peter Dasent & Arthur Baysting

Publisher: Origin

The Fairy Penguin Walk

Composer: Don Spencer & Allan Caswell

Publisher: MCA / Gilbey

There Was A Princess Long Ago

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

MAKE AND DO



How to Make a Penguin

You will need:

- Clean plastic bottle with lid
- Cotton balls
- Black paper cut into flippers
- Black paper cut into wing shapes
- Orange paper cut into a beak
- Masking tape
- Pom poms

Fill the plastic bottle with cotton balls.

Add feet, wings and beak with masking tape.

Finish your penguin by sticking a pom pom on top.



How to Make a Rainbow Iceland

You will need:

- Different shaped plastic containers filled with water, frozen overnight
- Ice cube tray filled with water, frozen overnight
- Large shallow container
- White salt in jug
- Coloured dye in eye-dropper or squirt bottles

Tip out ice cubes and frozen shapes into shallow container.

Arrange different sized shapes randomly to look like icebergs.

Pour salt over ice shapes.

Squirt coloured dye over salt.

Observe changes in colours, salt and texture.

Add your penguins to play and waddle around your iceland!

Episode 5



PRESENTERS

Alex Papps and Rachel Coopes

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

STORY

A Sick Day For Amos McGee

Author: Philip C. Stead

Illustrator: Erin. E Stead

Publisher: Allen & Unwin

FILM

Paint Factory

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Mix white paint with other colours to make pastel paints. Use pastel paints on black paper and find some household items to print different shapes.
- Make a bedroom for toys using a large box, cushions and blankets.
- Go on a neighbourhood walk and discover the different colours used on different signs.

SONGS

Rainbows

Composer: Peter Dasent & Garth Frost

Publisher: Origin / Control

Little Red Wagon

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Round and Round and Round

Composer: Colin Buchanan

Publisher: Rondor

Stir Up The Pudding

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Hey Hey Hey

Composer: Judith Keyzer & Peter Dasent

Publisher: Control / Origin

The Black Cat

Composer: Mary Britton-Miler & M.

Bartholomew

Publisher: Silver Burdett

There Were Five In The Bed

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: Origin / ABC Music Publishing

MAKE AND DO



How to Make a Box Bus and Streamer Passengers

You will need:

- Short cardboard tubes
- Hair elastics
- Multi-coloured crepe streamers
- Large buttons
- Milk or juice bottle tops
- Pipe cleaners
- Sticky tape
- Cardboard box for the bus
- Cushions
- Colourful scarves or fabric pieces

Streamer Passengers

Gather streamers together, twist and tie with hair elastic at one end.

Place into top of cardboard tube.

Add large button eyes and pipe cleaner mouth with sticky tape.

Place streamer passengers into the red box bus.

Box Bus

Paint a box in your favourite colour. Paint some windows on so your passengers can see the view.

Add bottle top wheels to sides of the box with sticky tape.

Use leftover buttons or bottle tops and stick to front of box as headlights.

Finally, arrange cushions and coloured scarves on the floor to make mountains and a lake. Take your bus on a tour of the sights!