

Chalk pictures

Equipment

- Different coloured chalks (can be found in supermarkets and toy shops), suitable drawing surface
- Paintbrush, suitable container and water

Instructions

Make chalk pictures outside on paving stones or concrete.

Show your child how they can make marks using chalk.

Try chalking on different textured surfaces, such as wood, and rough and smooth surfaces.

Demonstrate how you can blend chalk pictures by rubbing them.



Variations

Use chalk on black/dark paper for a more permanent picture.

Try 'painting' on paving stones using water and a paintbrush.

Encourage your child to lie on the ground and chalk around them, then show them how to fill in the outline.

Make chalk pictures after it has been raining and the ground is still wet.

Use chalk to make a simple hopscotch grid and encourage your child to jump or hop between squares.

Precautions

Chalk dust brushes off clothes quite easily. However, it may be advisable not to wear 'best clothes'.

Give support and encouragement.



benefits

- Developing hand skills and hand/eye coordination.
- Developing imagination and creativity.
- Learning about colours, shapes and different textures.
- Building on concentration skills and learning about relaxing activities.