



Spiders & Webs

WTG At Home, Weeks 5 & 6

Materials listed in purple will be provided at October 8th Art Pickup

Art Activity: Spider Webs

Materials: Spider web shaped paper, white chalk/crayon, Halloween stickers

Directions: Have your little ones use white chalk/crayon to draw the “web”, add Halloween stickers to make it extra festive!



Alternate project for older toddlers: Create a Spider Web Ring! Cut the middle out of a white paper plate and have your toddler color the ring with a black crayon. Punch holes around the circle and weave black yarn back and forth to create a spider web. Add a plastic spider for extra fun!



**HAND PRINT
SPIDERS**



Art Activity: Spider Handprint Keepsake

Materials: White paper, orange paper, black paint, googly eye stickers, black sharpie

Directions: Glue the white paper onto the orange to create a frame. Paint the palm and fingers of your child’s hand with black paint. Carefully press their hand onto the paper and – voila! You have a spider! Add the googly eyes for extra effect! Use a black sharpie to draw in spider webs. Don’t forget to write your child’s name and date on the back! This will be something you can bring out every year to help celebrate the Fall.

Alternative: Instead of using paper, place your child’s handprint on a white tile or piece of wood. If you have a larger surface, you can use both hands to create more legs!

Fine Motor: Spider Web Toss!

Materials: Laundry basket, yarn, misc. items

Directions: Weave yarn through a laundry basket to create a web. Add a variety of toys or spider themed items to the basket. See how fast your little one can free their toys before the spider traps them!

Extensions: Give your older toddler tongs and ask them to rescue their toys using their special “spider rescue tool”



Fine Motor: Bug Matching Game

Materials: [Printable game](#)

Directions: Play this fun card game with your toddler! Mix them up in a pile and have your toddler find the matching cards.

Extensions: Can you find the bugs with legs? Which bugs have wings? Where are the purple bugs? How many stripes can you count? Which ones have spots?

Alternative: For older children, make it into a Memory Game!



Imaginative Play and Gross Motor: Caught in a Web!

Materials: Painters tape, lightweight items

Directions: Use the painter's tape to create a "spider web" in a doorway or open area. How many "bugs" can you catch in the web?

Extensions: Throw cotton balls instead of toys. How many bugs can you catch? Every time you say the number, jump that many times For example: I have 4 bugs! One (jump), two (jump), three (jump), four (jump!)



Sensory: Spaghetti Noodle Web

Materials: Cooked spaghetti noodles, **plastic spiders**

Directions: Place cooked spaghetti noodles in a container. Add plastic spiders. Let your toddler explore the sticky noodles to find those sneaky spiders!

Extensions: Give your toddler some tongs to pick the spiders out



Alternative: For older children, have them practice counting their spiders! Get an ice cube tray and write the numbers in the bottom. As they pick the spiders out of the noodles, place the spiders in the tray and count. How many spiders can you find?



Sensory: Spider Slime

Materials: Cornstarch, water, **plastic spiders**, pan with sides

Directions: In a bowl, mix cornstarch and water together until you get a slimy goo. Pour the slime onto a pan and watch as it oozes! Trap your spiders in the slime!

Extensions: The great thing about this slime is that it is completely safe to eat! Instead of adding spiders, add edible sensory items like raisins or chocolate chips.

Science: Spider Races

Materials: **Straw**, **plastic spiders**

Directions: See who can blow their spider the farthest! How about the fastest? What happens if you blow harder? Softer? Experiment with your breath to see what happens.



Science: Down Came the Rain & Washed the Spider Out!



Materials: Watering can, sidewalk chalk

Directions: Poor Itsy Bitsy Spider! The rain keeps washing him out! Draw a picture of a spider on the sidewalk using chalk. Sing “The Itsy Bitsy Spider” with your toddler, and when the rain washes the spider out, ask them to wash away the picture with their watering can.

Alternative: Instead of drawing on a sidewalk, draw on a fence or the side of the house. The great thing about sidewalk chalk is that it will wash right off!

Songs:

[Itsy Bitsy Spider](#)

[Five Little Spiders](#)

[Spider John](#)

[There's A Spider On The Floor](#)

[Five Creepy Spiders](#)

Read Alouds:

[Little Miss Spider](#)

[Little Spider](#)

[Pete the Cat and the Itsy Bitsy Spider](#)

[The Tickly Spider](#)

[The Very Busy Spider](#)