

Preschool Math:

Mud Pies - Big, Bigger, Biggest

Learning Value:

This activity promotes development and learning by encouraging children to demonstrate an understanding of shapes, spatial sense, and patterns, as well as compare and categorize objects, materials, or events.

Materials Needed:

- ▶ Mud (organic soil and water)
- ▶ Storage container or dish pan
- ▶ Table covering or area for messy play



Participants:

This activity requires adult interaction. Children will enjoy using the mud for sensory play after the activity is completed - adult supervision is recommended.

Directions:

Step 1: Mix the mud with your child in an area that is ok for messy play. You can contain the mess by doing mud in a storage container or dish pan and putting newspaper or some kind of table covering down.

Step 2: Encourage your child to make mud pies in different sizes. Talk through the difference of big, bigger, and biggest.

Step 3: Ask your child if they can make a big, biggest, big, biggest pattern on the table. Try other patterns using the three different sizes.

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