

Personal Aquariums

Objective: Students will show of what they have learned about fish with this creative activity.

Materials:

old crayons	cheese grater
construction paper	pencils
scissors	wax paper
iron	glue

Activity:

1. Have students take turns grating the old crayons. Suggest that they keep the different colors in separate piles.
2. Pass out colored construction paper and demonstrate how to sketch and cut out fish, plants, and other sea life shapes. Students may want to refer to books in your resource center or illustrations from magazines.
3. Provide each child with two large pieces of wax paper (the same size). Have them place one piece of wax paper on the table and arrange their construction paper shapes on it.
4. Show students how to sprinkle the grated crayons on the construction paper shapes for texture and additional color. Help students carefully place the second piece of wax paper over the first.
5. Cover student's aquariums with a sheet of newspaper. Then lightly apply a warm iron to melt the crayon gratings and seal the wax paper.
6. Have students cut strips of construction paper to glue around edges of their aquariums.

Evaluation: Students personal aquariums will resemble the real aquariums or illustrations students have observed.

*String a clothesline in front of window. Hang the finished aquariums from the line so that the light shines through.

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