



Social and Emotional Development Activity for 24 to 30 Months

Share the Box

Children gain a positive lesson while sharing space and gain a valuable experience with dramatic play.

Materials:

- Large appliance box
- Scissors
- Paint
- Paintbrushes

What to do:

1. Let the children paint a large appliance box. It can be a school bus, fire engine, or any vehicle they want it to be.
2. Comment on how they are sharing the paint when they do.
3. Cut out window holes and paint the details when the box is dry.
4. Ask the children where they want to go for a ride together.

Variations:

- A. Use collaborative activities to encourage interaction: filling a water table, setting the table for lunch, sweeping the floor, putting away bicycles.
- B. Offer shared-art activities: doing a collage, building a city out of boxes, building a castle out of blocks, tracing each other on mural paper, building a snowman.

