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123 Learn Curriculum is designed to promote the physical, social-emotional, cognitive, and language development of children. Every child is a unique person with an individual pattern and timing of growth. We believe in respecting and responding to each child's learning preference.

Play is a young child's "work" as they touch, manipulate, and experiment with materials, explore and observe the environment, and interact with adults and one another. Children are also highly encouraged to initiate their own activities and learning. Piaget states that "children should be able to do their own experimenting and their own research. Teachers of course, can guide them by providing the appropriate materials, but the essential thing is that in order for a child to understand something, he must construct it himself, he must re-invent it.

Children learn best with repetition. Repetition is an essential key to the physical development of a child's brain. The more something is repeated the more likely children are to remember it. Repetition in a variety of forms also increases the likelihood of reaching children with different learning styles and provides a more comprehensive understanding of concepts.

123 Learn Curriculum provides this opportunity though fun themes such as dinosaurs and monsters. Each theme incorporates a letter, color, number and shape, and themes that provide hands on opportunities to make learning fun.

123 Learn Curriculum also understands the areas of child development and incorporates the Minnesota's Early Childhood Indicators of Progress into lesson plans. Letting providers know what domains are being touched on with each activity listed under infant, toddler and preschool daily plans.



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What is 123 Learn Curriculum? 123 Learn Curriculum is a professionally planned preschool curriculum designed to be used in both family childcare homes and centers. This program offers the ease of printing up each day what you need and saving on waste. Money saving, this curriculum can be used over year after year.

What are the goals of 123 Learn Curriculum? 123 Learn Curriculum was developed by a childcare provider since 1985. The activities included are age appropriate and designed to help the whole child grow, and develop socially, physically and intellectually. Our program will help prepare each child for kindergarten, while opening the door for the children to be creative and express their artistic abilities.

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123 Learn Curriculum is suitable for children ages 2 to 5 but includes activities for infants and toddlers.

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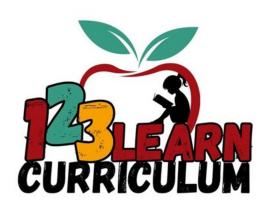
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Mini Lesson Plan



Mini lesson plans are just that. A lesson plan that is not

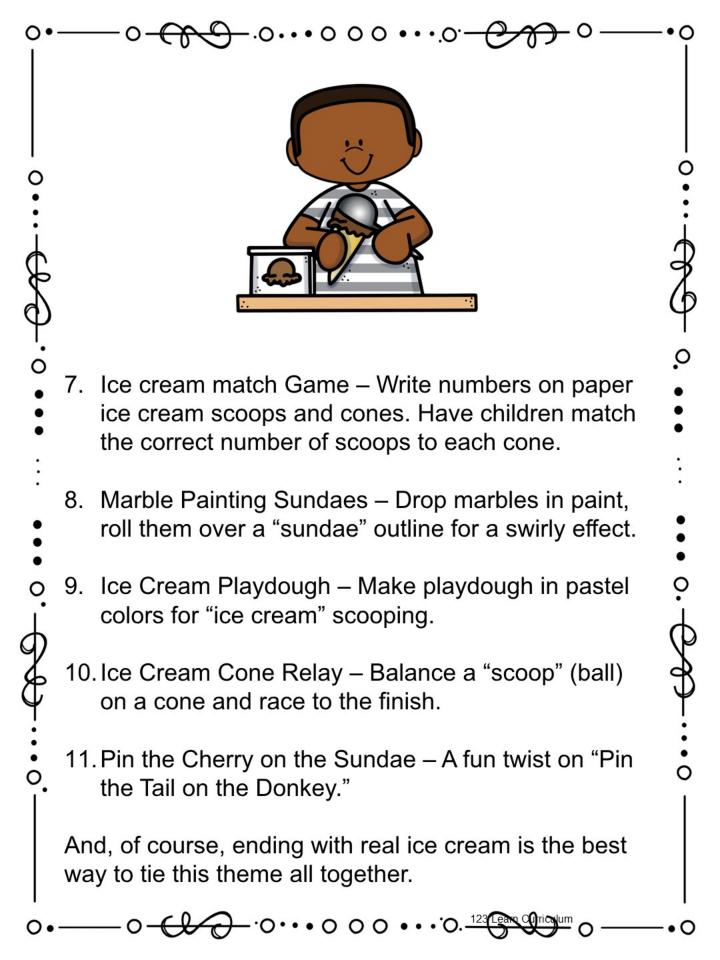
- time consuming and a fun topic that you can use during
- the summer months.

Summer is a time for being outside and playing but there will be times that you would like to have a theme that you can incorporate into outdoor play, like our current theme ice cream.

Learning about ice cream can be a sweet theme. Below are some fun activities to help make their learning experience deliciously engaging:

 Ice Cream Sensory Play – Fill a bin with cotton balls or pom-poms to mimic scoops of ice cream. Add play cones, ice cream scoop and let children "scoop" and create their own pretend flavors. You can go a little bit further and ask the children how many scoops can they put in the ice cream cone, counting as they scoop.

-.0...0 0 00.-Ice Cream Taste Test – Have a small selection of different flavored ice creams (Vanilla, chocolate, strawberry, etc.). Let children taste and describe the flavors using words like "sweet". "cold", "creamy," or "yummy." Make a chart and find out which flavor was the favorite. 3. Ice Cream Cone Craft – Provide paper, markers, and pom-poms to let children build and decorate their own ice cream cones. Counting and sorting sprinkles – Give each child a small container of rainbow sprinkles. Have them sort by color, count them or make simple patterns. Ice Cream Science Experiment – Show children 5. how salt lowers the freezing point of ice by making homemade ice cream in a bag. All you need is milk, sugar, vanilla, and ice with salt. 6. Ice Cream Shop Role Play – Set up a pretend ice cream shop where children can take turns being customers and store owners, learning about taking orders and handling money.



Ice Cream



Ice Cream Cone

Ice Cream Sundae



Ice Cream

Banana Split



Milkshakes



Waffle Cones

Waffle cones are a delightful twist on the classic ice cream cone. They're made from a sweet and crispy waffle batter. Waffle cones add a deliciously distinct flavor to any frozen treat.



Cake Cones

Cake cones, also known as wafer cones, have a light and flaky texture with a subtle sweetness. The perfect balance of sugar, flour, and shortenings creates a delectable batter.

Sugar Cones

Indulge your sweet tooth with the delightful sugar cone. While often mistaken for waffle cones, sugar cones have their own distinct qualities.

With a harder texture and shell, they provide a sturdy and reliable base for your favorite ice cream flavors.



Pretzel Cones

The pretzel cone adds a delightful crunch and a hint of saltiness to every spoonful. It works well with both soft serve or hand-dipped ice cream.



Chocolate Dipped Cones

Cake cones, also known as wafer cones, have a light and flaky texture with a subtle sweetness. The perfect balance of sugar, flour, and shortenings creates a delectable batter.

Mini Cones

These smaller-sized cones are carefully crafted. They provide just the right portion for a kid's scoop of ice cream. Their compact size fits comfortably in children's hands. This makes it easier for them to enjoy their treat with no messy mishaps.



Twin Cones

Indulge in the ultimate ice cream experience with twin cones. They're designed to delight you with a double dose of deliciousness! They feature two rounded cups nestled side by side. These cones provide ample room for multiple scoops of ice cream. This way, you can enjoy each flavor individually.



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Gluten-Free Cones

These cones embrace the growing demand for gluten-free options. These treats are perfect for those with gluten sensitivities or Celiac disease.



Waffle Bowl

This bowl is not just a container, it's a delicious treat in itself! Made from a delectable waffle batter, it adds a whole new level of excitement to your dessert. Think of it like a mess-free cone.

Fill it with hand-dipped ice cream, velvety soft-serve, or luscious frozen yogurt. This edible bowl brings a crispy texture and a burst of flavor to each delightful bite. Indulge in your favorite ice cream first and save the crunchy waffle bowl for a sensational finale. It'll leave you begging for more.



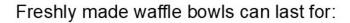


Waffle Bowl

Make your own waffle bowls using a waffle cone and waffle bowl maker.

Make children size waffle bowls and use them for ice cream and breakfast with yogurt and fresh fruit.

To purchase from Amazon, click on picture.



Room Temperature: 2 to 3 days.

Refrigeration: 5 to 7 days. **Freezing**: Up to 3 months.

To ensure the best quality, store waffles in an airtight container and keep them in a cool, dry place.





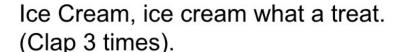
Songs and Fingerplays

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Ice Cream, Ice Cream

Ice Cream, ice cream in a bowl. (Make circle with hands).

Ice Cream, ice cream nice and cold. (Shiver).



Ice Cream, ice cream good to eat! (Rub tummy).





Do You Know the Ice Cream Man

(Sung to: "Do You Know the Muffin Man?")

Do you know the ice cream man, the ice cream man, the ice cream man?

Do you know the ice cream man who likes to sing with me.



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5 Scoops on Top

I'm making an ice cream cone.
It's going to be sooo big.
Going to scoop the ice cream on,
And dance a little jig.
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, I pile the scoops on top.
Now that it's big enough,
I think I better stop.

Yummy!



5 Scoops of Ice Cream

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I had 5 scoops of ice cream.

No less and no more.

One fell off, and that left 4.

I had 4 scoops of ice cream,

As yummy as could be.

One fell off and that left 3.

I had 3 scoops of ice cream,

Yes, that is true.

One fell off and that left 2.

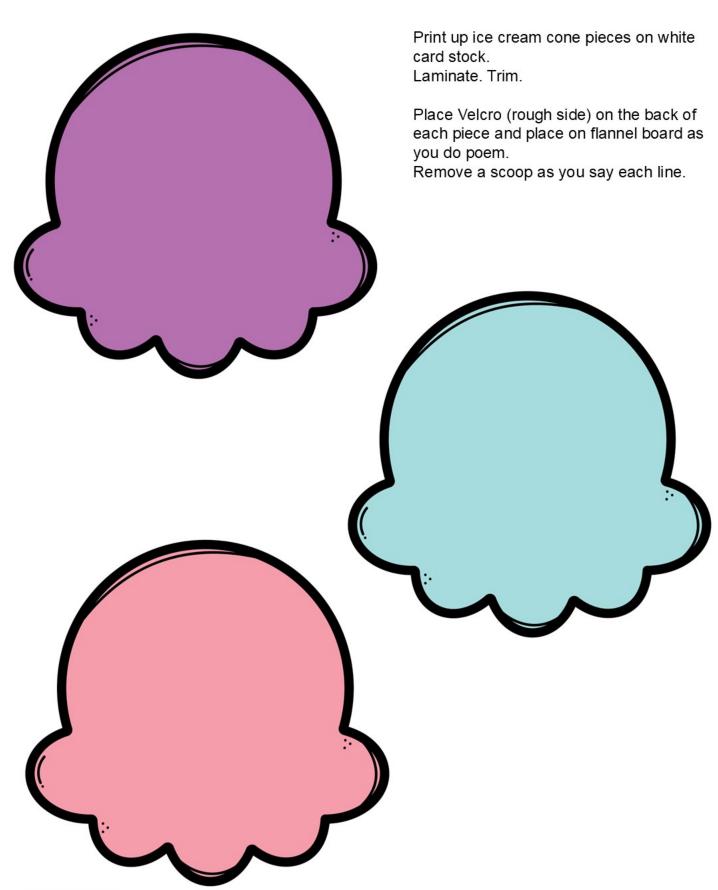
I had 2 scoops of ice cream, in the melting sun.

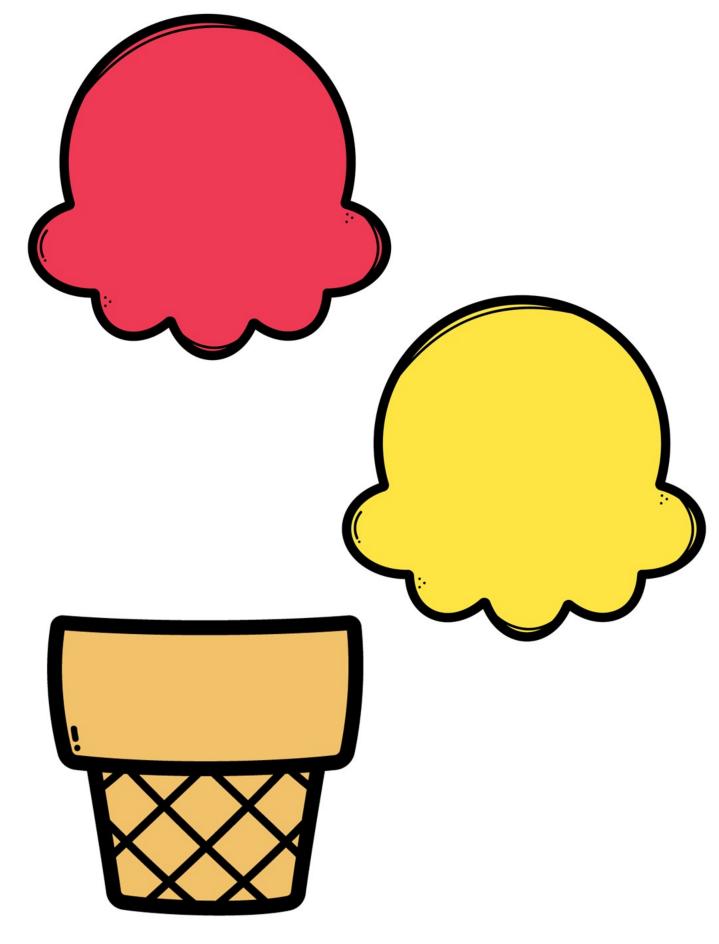
One fell off and that left 1.

I had 1 scoop of ice cream, sitting on the cone.

I ate it up and that left none.

5 Scoops of Ice Cream







Banana Split

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You have to pick the bananas, pick, pick the bananas.
You have to peel the bananas, peel, peel the bananas.
You have to slice the banana,
One slice – so long.
Scoop on the ice cream,
Scoop, scoop the ice cream.

Add toppings, whip cream and a cherry on top.

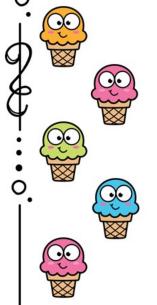
Eat that yummy banana split,

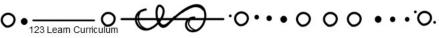
And please don't stop!

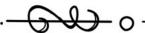
So GOOD!



Five little ice cream cones so good to eat. The first one said, "I'm a summertime treat." The second one said, "It's such a hot day." The third one said, "I'm melting away." The fourth one said, "Don't lose your top." The fifth one said, "Oh dear, ker-plop!" (Place the last cone upside down.)











It rolled to the garden.

And under a bush.

And then my poor cherry.

It turned into mush.



If you like your sundae.
All covered with sauce.
Hold onto your cherry.
Or it will be lost.

Songs and Fingerplays

5 Ice Cream Cones at the Ice Cream Shop

Five ice cream cones at the ice cream shop,
But no one wanted to buy them with vanilla on top.
One little ice cream took some time to think,
He mixed in some bubblegum and turned himself to pink
Along came (child's name), as happy as can be
and took that ice cream home.

Four ice cream cones at the ice cream shop,
But no one wanted to buy them with vanilla on top.
Then one little ice cream knew what he should do.
He mixed in some blueberries and turned his flavor blue.
Along came (child's name), as happy as can be
and took that ice cream home.

Three little ice cream cones at the ice cream shop,
But no one wanted to buy them with vanilla on top.
One little ice cream was a smart little fellow,
He mixed in some lemonade and turned himself yellow.
Along came (child's name), as happy as can be
and took that ice cream home.

Two little ice cream cones at the ice cream shop,
But no one wanted to buy them with vanilla on top.
One little ice cream got an idea in his head,
He mixed in some raspberries and turned his color red.
Along came (child's name), as happy as can be
and took that ice cream home.

One little ice cream cone at the ice cream shop,
But no one wanted to buy it with vanilla on top.
Alone and sad, he really wanted to go,
So, he mixed in all the colors and made his color rainbow!
Along came (child's name), as happy as can be
and took that ice cream home.

Songs and Fingerplays

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Take Me Out For Some Ice Cream

(Sung to: "Take Me Out To The Ballgame")

Take me out for some ice cream,
Take me out to the store.
Buy me a triple scoop jumbo cone.
Sorry I won't share, I'll eat it alone!
For its scoop, scoop up the ice
cream—

Give me three kinds I adore!
For it's one, two, three, scoops to go,
At the ice cream store!





I like Ice Cream

I like ice cream. Yes, I do!
One scoop for me?
No! Make it two!
Hmmm two scoops of ice cream,
I want more
How about three?
No, make that four!
1, 2, 3, 4,
Splat! "oh no! It's on the floor!"

Mini Lesson Plan Directions

The following pages give you an idea on a preplanned lesson plan for infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Use these lesson plans as a template but use a relaxed atmosphere when doing activities. The idea of this lesson plan is to give you some ideas if you want to do some activities during the summer.

Ice Cream Infant Lesson Plan

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Language – Literacy - Communication	Sign Language Learn the sign for ice cream	Read <u>Ice Cream – I</u> <u>Love Ice Cream</u> by Busy Hands Books	Sign Language Learn the sign for cold	Read <u>I'm Your Ice</u> <u>Cream Truck</u> by Hannah Eliot	Counting and Rhyme with Scoops
Fingerplays and Songs	Ice Cream, Ice Cream See Song Sheet	Do You Know the Ice Cream Man See Song Sheet	5 Scoops on Top See Song Sheet	5 Ice Cream Cones See Song Sheet	I Like Ice Cream See Song Sheet
Physical & Movement	Music and Movement" Ice Cream Dance	Ice Cream Cone Roll & Reach	Ice Cream Pom-Pom Grab or other listed ideas	Ice Cream Sensory Bag	Ice Cream Picture Painting Place picture in large baggie, squirt in paint, close and tape to the floor. Let infant spread paint around in baggie. Never leave infant alone.

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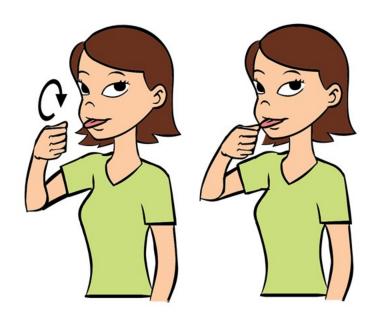
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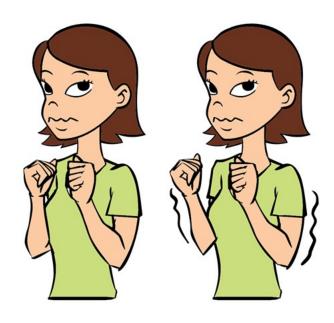
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Cold



To make the baby sign for *cold*, take both hands and make them into fists with thumbs up. Pull your upper arms into your sides, stiffen your forearms, and shake your fists back and forth. Remember to also match this sign with your facial expression of discomfort. The sign looks a lot like you are shivering.

Infant Ice Cream Themes Activities

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Counting and Rhyme with Scoops

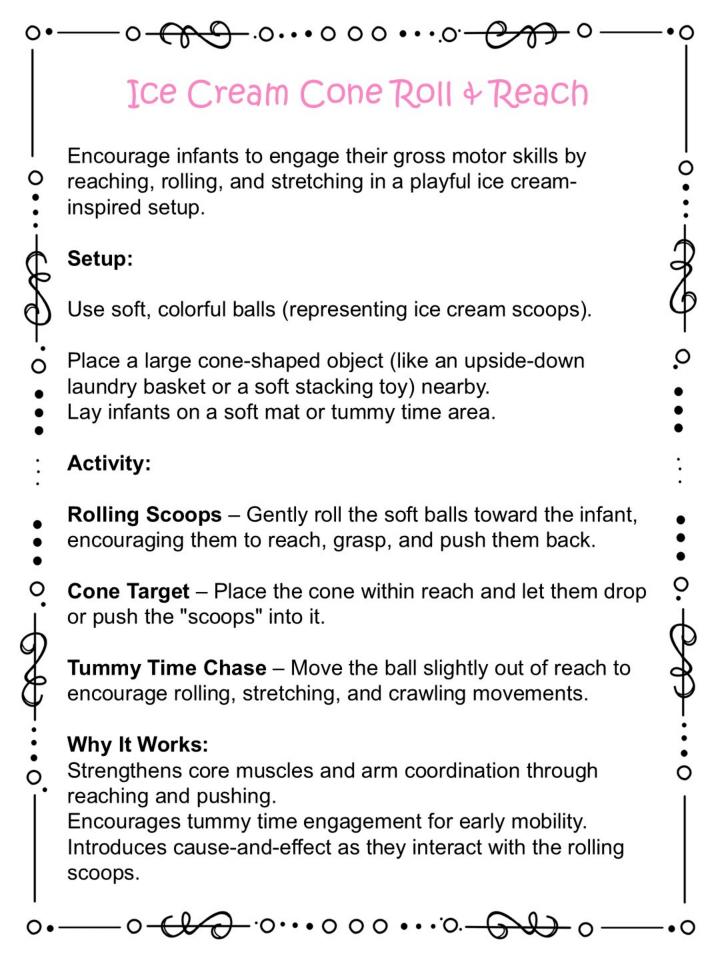
Introduce counting by stacking a few "scoops" on a paper cone or felt board. Count aloud, "One scoop, two scoops, three scoops," pairing numbers with hand motions. Then, enhance the language fun by singing a simple rhyme—perhaps something like, "Scoopy, droopy, tasty treat; ice cream makes our day complete!" Such activities develop both early numeracy and phonemic awareness by blending movement, language, and play.

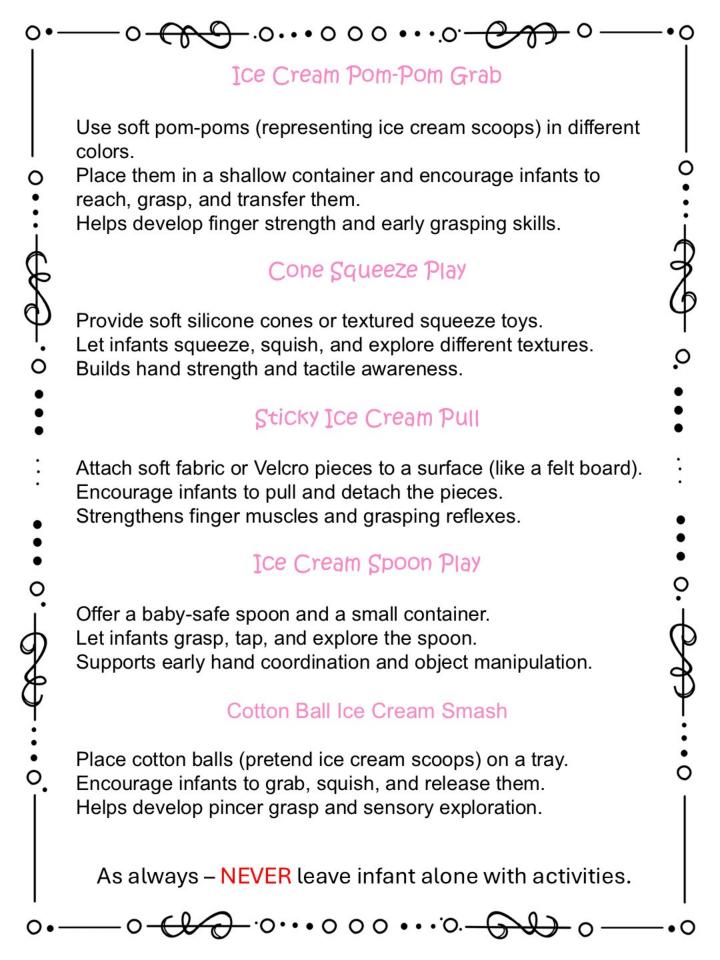
Music and Movement: Ice Cream Dance

Combine movement with language by designing a simple ice cream dance. Sing a catchy jingle, using actions like scooping or twirling, with lines such as "Scooping up

a yummy treat, feel the beat!"

Music helps with rhythm and word repetition, making vocabulary stick while engaging their motor skills.







Ice Cream Sensory Bag

At this early stage, motor skill development centers on reaching, grasping, and exploring textures. An ice cream theme can be introduced in gentle, sensory-rich ways rather than structured "craft" activities.

For example, you might create an Ice Cream Sensory Bag.

To do this, fill a clear, sealed plastic bag with water tinted in soft pastel colors (think pinks, light blues, creamy yellows) along with a few pieces of soft, safe fabric cut to resemble sprinkles or even small foam shapes. Allow infant to gently press and poke the bag, encouraging visual tracking and tactile exploration.

The vibrant colors evoke the fun and whimsy of ice cream while providing opportunities for early hand—eye coordination and reaching skills.

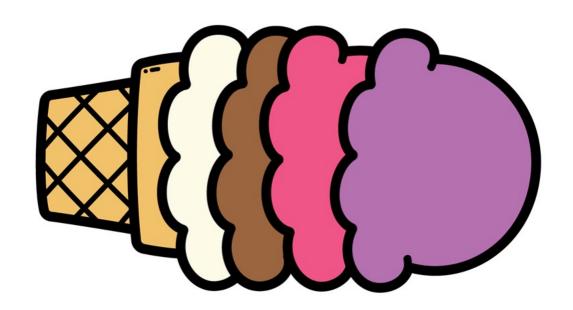
Another option

Place clear hair gel in a Ziplock baggie. Place printed copy on white card stock (laminated), in the baggie. Cut up pastel straws into 1" pieces (sprinkles) and place in the Ziplock baggie, seal it and add duct tape to re-enforce the closing.

Sit infants in a highchair or tummy time on the floor. Tape the Ziplock baggie to tray or floor. Show infant how they can move the pieces around.



Tape the tray or the floor.







Ice Cream Painting

Print up picture. Add to baggie. Squirt several colors of paint into the baggie. Zip lock the baggie closed getting out as much air as you can. Tape the baggie to the floor using masking or painter's tape. (Around all 4 sides of the baggie). Lay the infant on the floor near the baggie. A fun / colorful way to spend some tummy time. Take the infant's hand and show them that they can push their hand on the baggie and the paint will spread. Talk to the infant about the colors they are "painting" with.

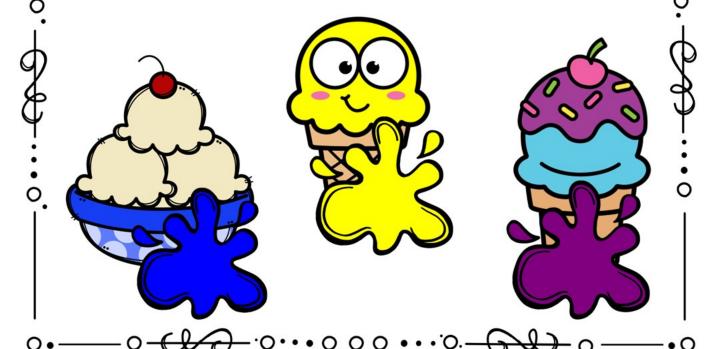
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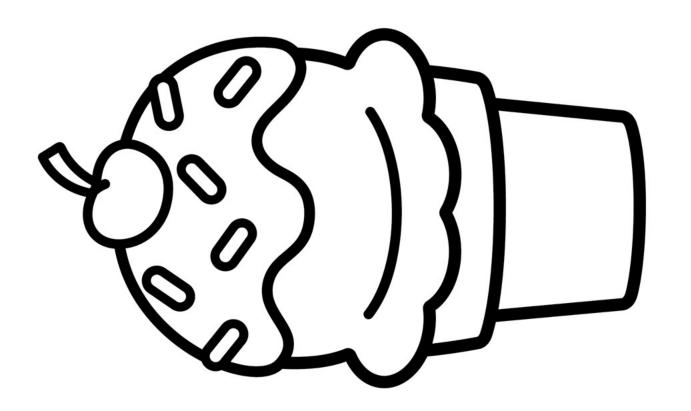
NEVER leave the infant alone on the floor with the baggie.

Once the infant is done with tummy time and painting, open

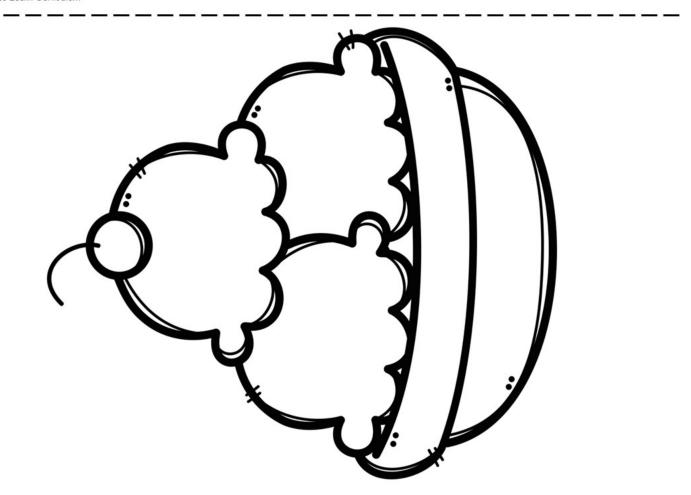
the baggie and pull out the piece of paper. Let the page dry.

Label on the back with the child's name and date.



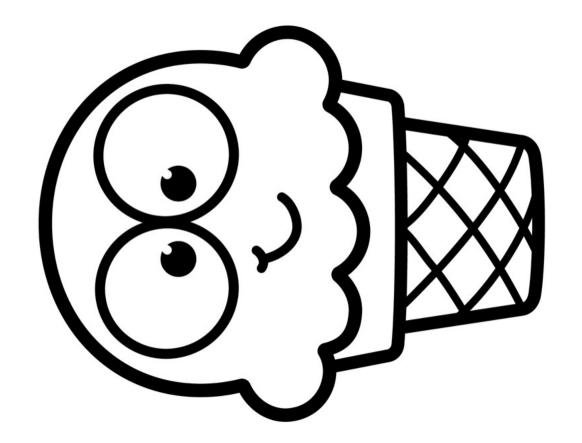


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Ice Cream Toy

Great toy for toddler/preschool relay activity



Rainbow Color Cones

Ice Cream Toddler Lesson Plan

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Language	Sign Language Learn the sign for ice cream	Review The Sign for Ice Cream	Sign Language Learn the Sign for Cold	Review the Sign for Cold	Review the signs for Ice Cream and Cold
Fingerplays and Songs	Ice Cream, Ice Cream See Song Sheet	Do You Know the Ice Cream Man See Song Sheet	5 Scoops on Top See Song Sheet	5 Ice Cream Cones See Song Sheet	I Like Ice Cream See Song Sheet
Literacy/Writing	Alphabet Ice Cream Letter Matching	Read <u>Pete the Cat</u> <u>Screams for Ice</u> <u>Cream</u> by Kimberly & James Dean	Toddler writing Activity – Fine Motor Mats	Read <u>Ice Cream – I</u> <u>Love Ice Cream</u> by Busy Hands Books	Build a Sundae
Motor Small/Gross	Ice Cream Paint Dauber	Ice Cream Count and Dot	Ice Cream Cone Relay	Ice Cream Sundae Color Match	Pass the Ice Cream Read <u>Should I Share</u> <u>My Ice Cream?</u> By Mo Willems
Sensory ↓ Science	Home Made Ice Cream		Erupting Ice Cream Cones		
Weekly Worksheets	Lacing Cards I is for Ice Cream Color the Oval Shapes	Ice Cream Sequencing Pictures that begin with the Letter I How Many Sundaes	Ice Cream Truck Cut and Glue Count the Ice Cream Scoops Pink Ice Cream Cone	Ice Cream Paper Pasting Write the Word Ice Cream Color the Ovals	Ice Cream Treats – Color – Gut and Glue Learning the Number 2 Color Pink

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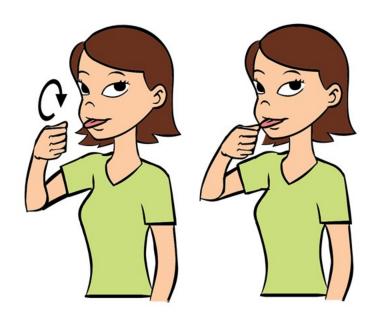
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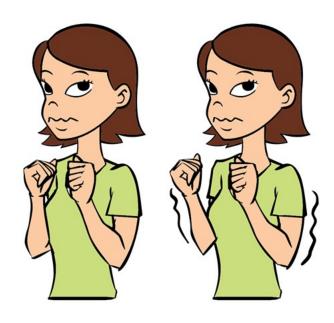
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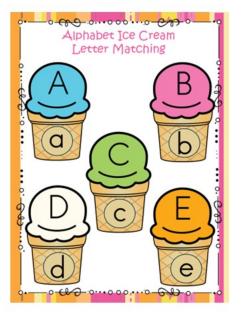
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Alphabet Ice Cream Letter Matching

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Supplies needed:

- White card stock
- Laminating Sheets
- Velcro
- Scissors



Directions:

- Print up sheets onto white card stock.
- Laminate.
- Trim the ice cream scoops. (Upper case alphabet).
- Leave the ice cream cones as full sheets.
- Have toddlers match the upper-case ice cream scoop to the lower-case cone.

Toddlers can use one sheet and the matching upper-case alphabet scoops. Talk to them about what the lower-case letter is and show them the matching upper-case letter. Have them place the scoop onto the correct cone.

Preschoolers can also do this activity to reinforce letters.

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Benefits of Toddlers Learning the Alphabet

Learning the alphabet at an early age opens a gateway to a world of discovery and lays the groundwork for later academic success, as well as social and emotional growth. Here are some key benefits to toddlers learning the alphabet:

Early Literacy and Phonemic Awareness: Recognizing letters and associating them with sounds is central to understanding how words are formed. When toddlers learn the alphabet, they begin to see that language is made up of smaller sounds and symbols. This foundational skill supports their journey into reading and writing, letting them start to decode words and develop phonemic awareness. It's like giving them a key to unlock the endless possibilities of communication.

Cognitive Development: Engaging with letters helps toddlers practice memory and attention. Whether they're singing the alphabet song or playing with letter puzzles, these activities strengthen neural connections that promote pattern recognition, sequencing, and problem-solving. This mental scaffolding not only benefits language skills but also other cognitive tasks they'll encounter as they grow.

Fine Motor and Sensory Skills: Many alphabet activities, such as tracing letters, playing with magnetic letters, or engaging in crafts, improve fine motor control. Toddlers learn to manipulate objects, grasp pencils or crayons, and coordinate their hand movements. This sensory-rich experience enhances their ability to interact with the world around them and supports overall physical development.

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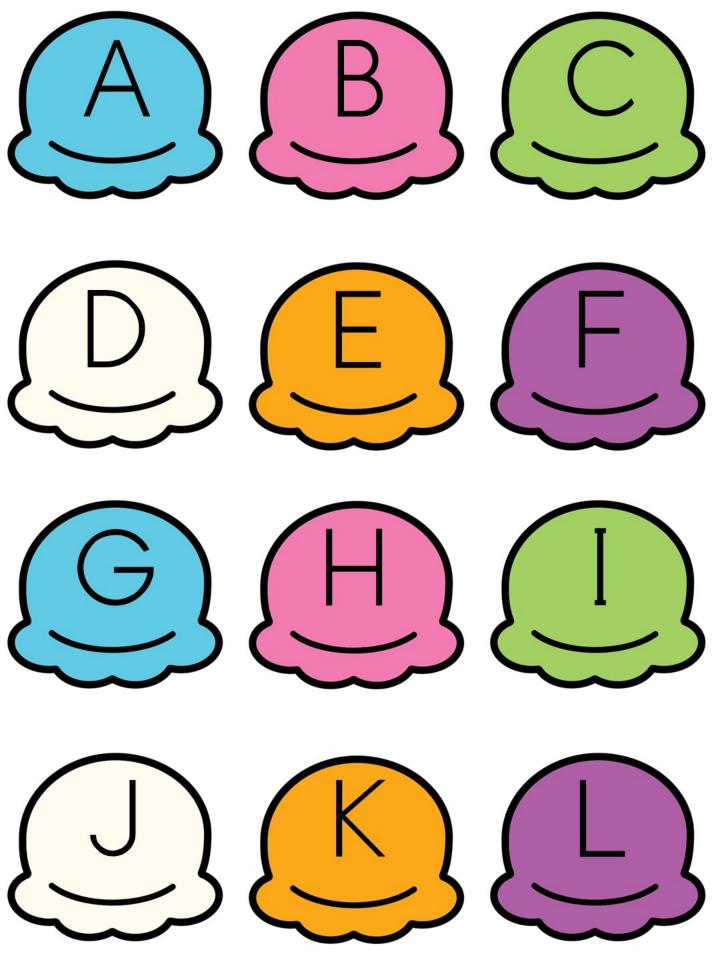
Building Confidence and Independence: Recognizing a letter or stringing them together to form simple words offers toddlers a tangible sense of achievement. Celebrating these small victories boosts their self-esteem and encourages a love for learning. When toddlers see that they can make sense of symbols and sounds, they're more likely to be curious and willing to explore new concepts.

Language Enrichment and Communication: Learning the alphabet naturally enriches a child's vocabulary and comprehension skills. It paves the way for more meaningful conversations and storytelling as toddlers begin to link words to objects, experiences, and emotions. This early communication foundation helps them express themselves more clearly and understand the vocabulary of their daily

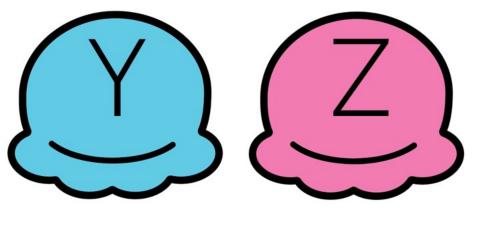
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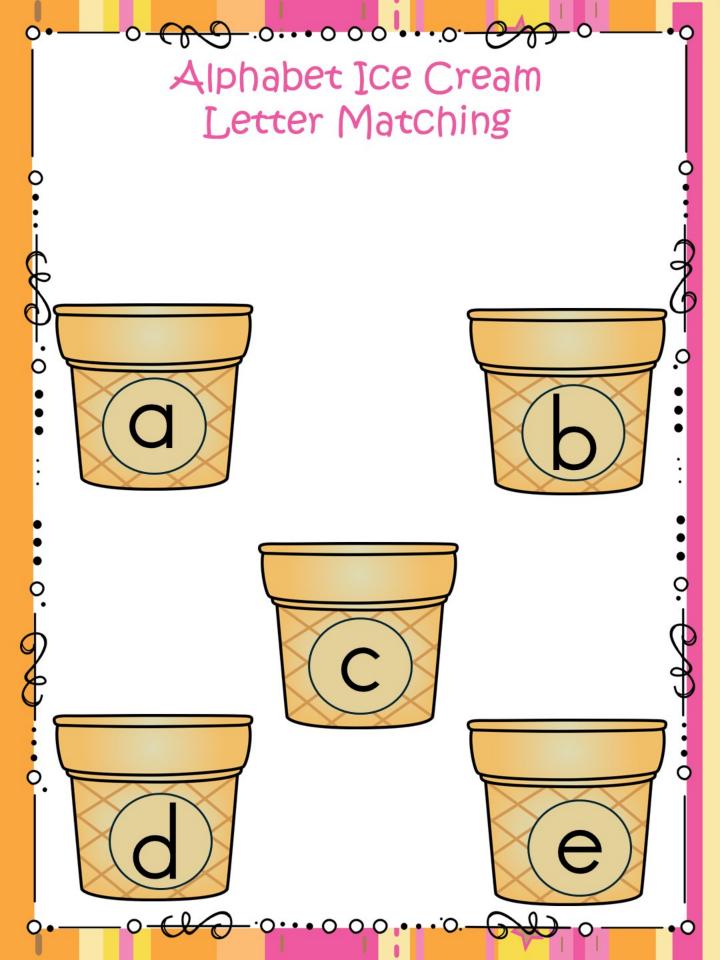
Structured Play and Social Interaction: Alphabet games and activities, whether done at home, in preschool, or in a group setting, facilitate social interaction. Sharing these playful experiences with peers or caregivers not only makes learning fun but also teaches toddlers about teamwork, following directions, and the joy of shared discovery. By integrating letter learning into playful and engaging activities, educators and parents can create a rich, supportive environment that nurtures a child's natural curiosity.





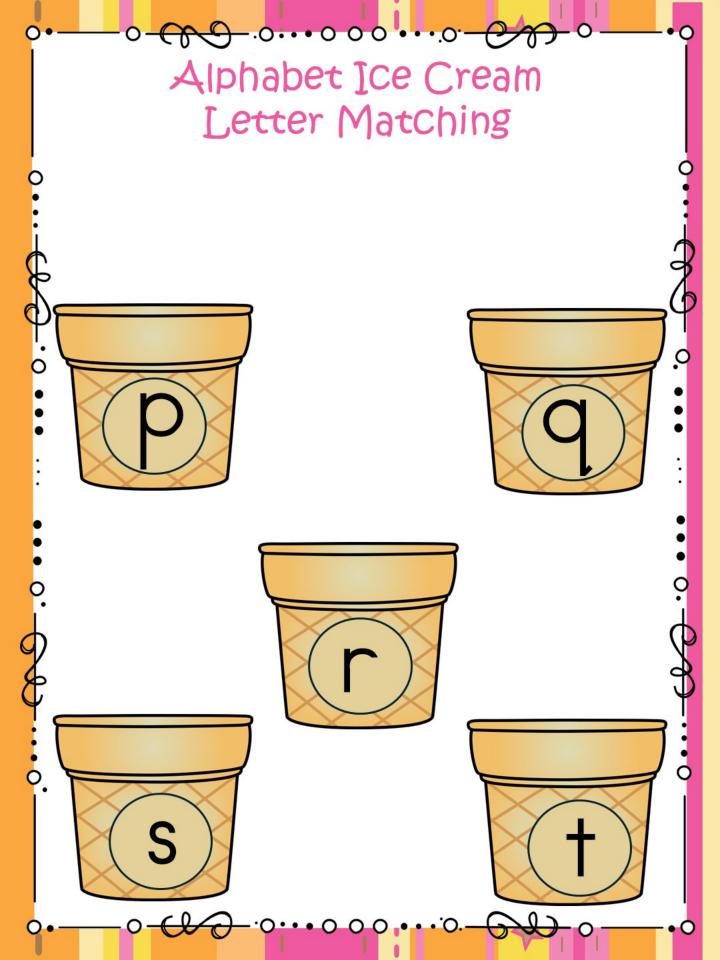


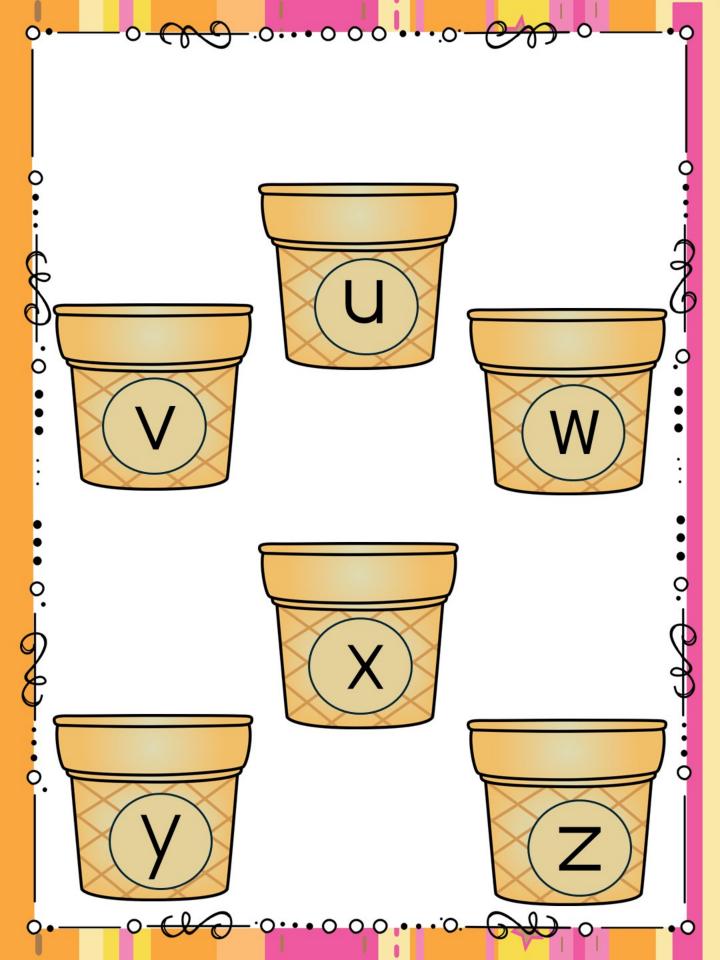












Toddler Writing Activity Fine Motor Mats

Materials:

- Fine Motor Mats
- White Card Stock
- Laminating Sheets
- Dry Eraser Markers / or
- Pom Poms / Buttons

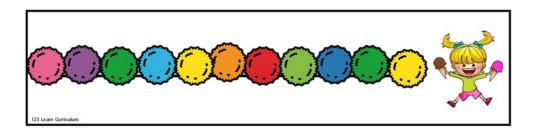


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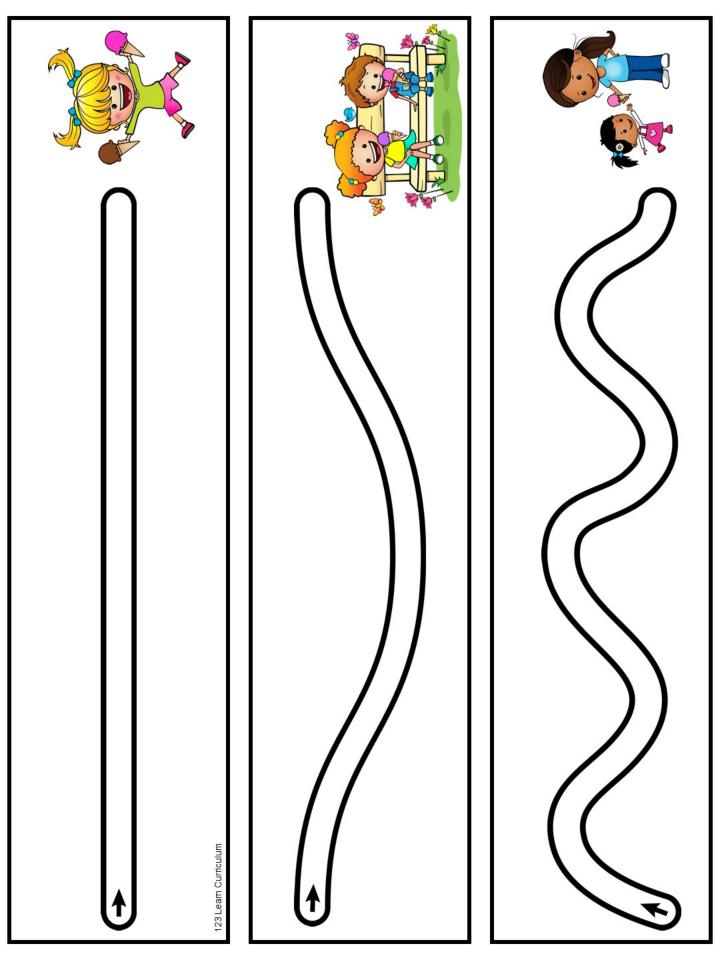
Print up the fine motor mats. Laminate and trim. Have toddler sit at the table and using a dry eraser marker have them trace inside the lines.

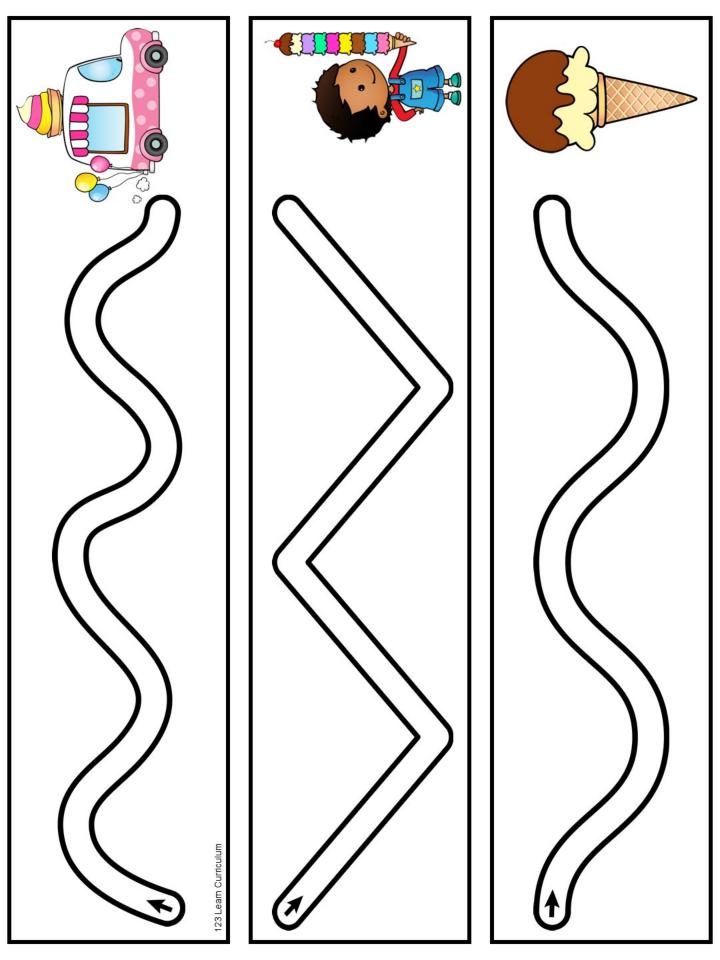
Additional Ideas:

Place pom poms or buttons into a bowl and have toddlers take the pom poms and lay on the lines.









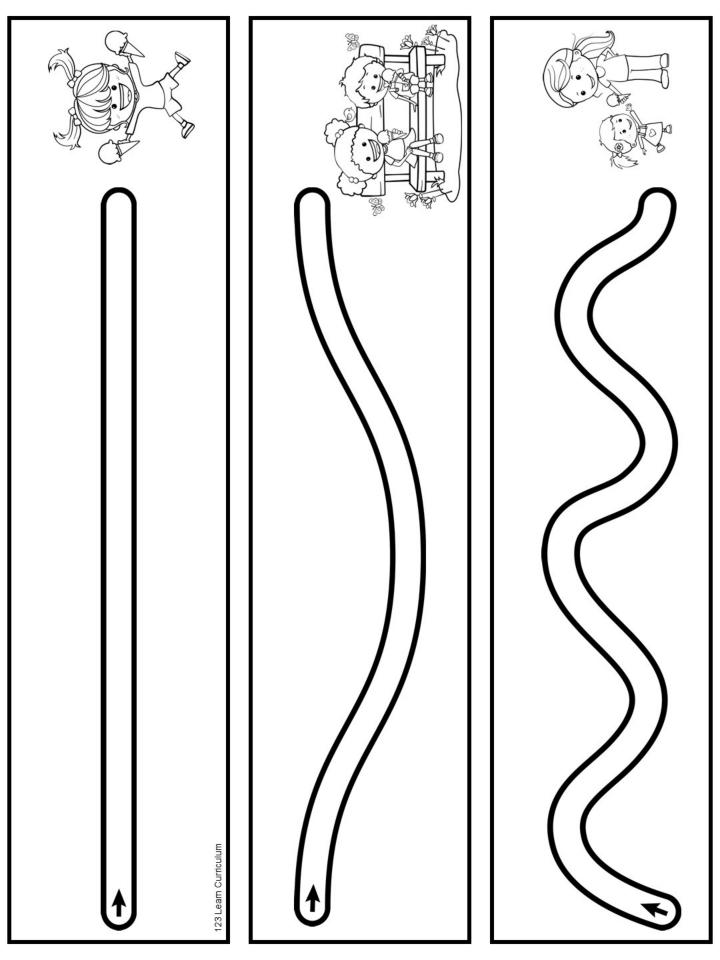
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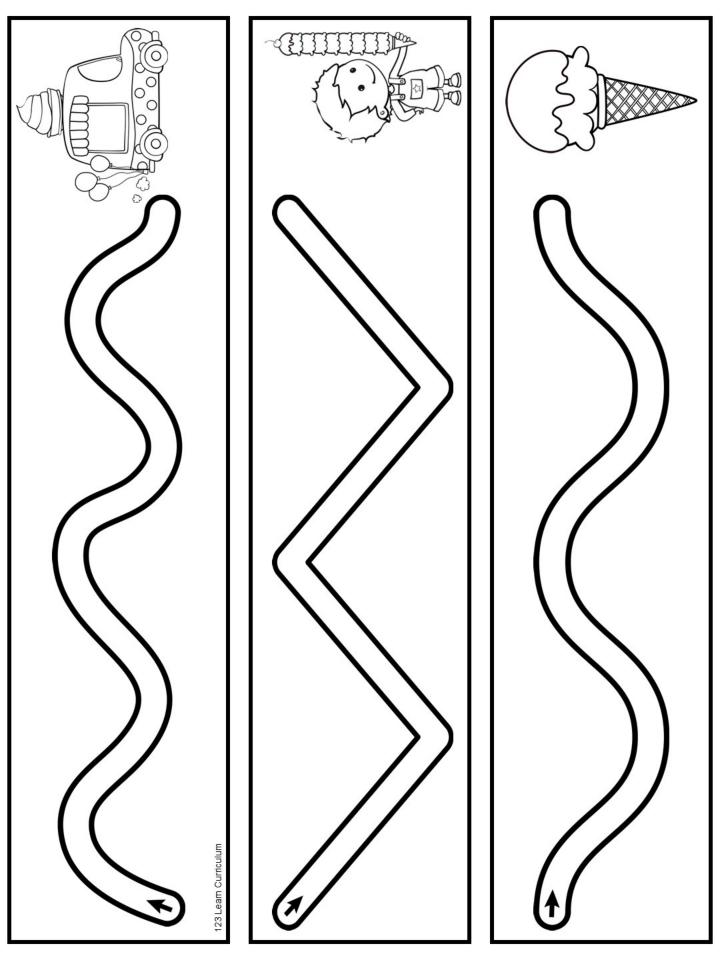
Print up on regular copy paper. Fun for little ones to scribble on. A child's 1st form of writing.

Scribbling is a vital part of a toddler's development and offers a wealth of benefits:

- **1.Fine Motor Skills**: Scribbling helps toddlers develop the muscles in their hands and fingers, preparing them for writing later on.
- **2.Hand-Eye Coordination**: It requires them to control their movements and coordinate what they see with how they move their hands.
- **3.Creativity and Imagination**: Scribbling is an early form of self-expression. It allows toddlers to convey their thoughts, feelings, and ideas.
- **4.Cognitive Development**: It introduces them to cause and effect. For instance, when they press down harder, the mark on the paper changes.
- **5.Emotional Expression**: It's a way for toddlers to process emotions and relieve stress.
- 6.Language Skills: Describing their scribbles can help develop their vocabulary and narrative skills. Scribbling isn't just random marks—it's a significant step in

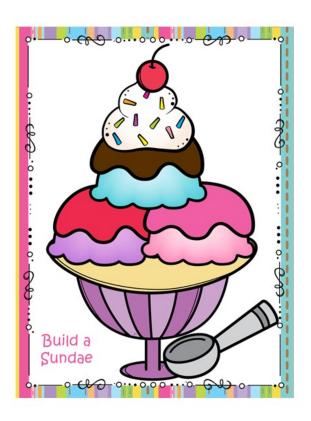
your child's growth!





Build a Sundae

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Supplies needed:

White card stock Laminating sheets Scissors Velcro (optional)



Directions:

Print up build a sundae sheet and parts of the sundae.

Laminate.

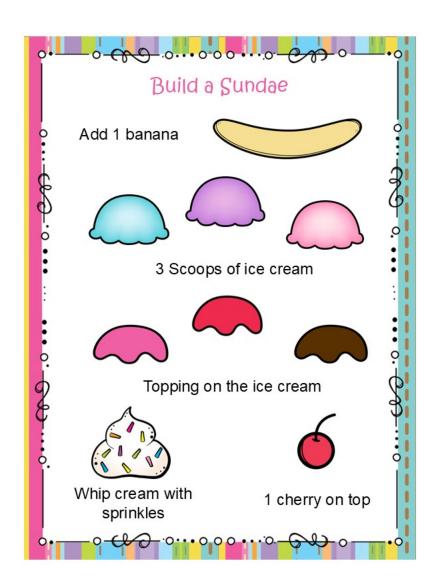
Cut out sundae parts.

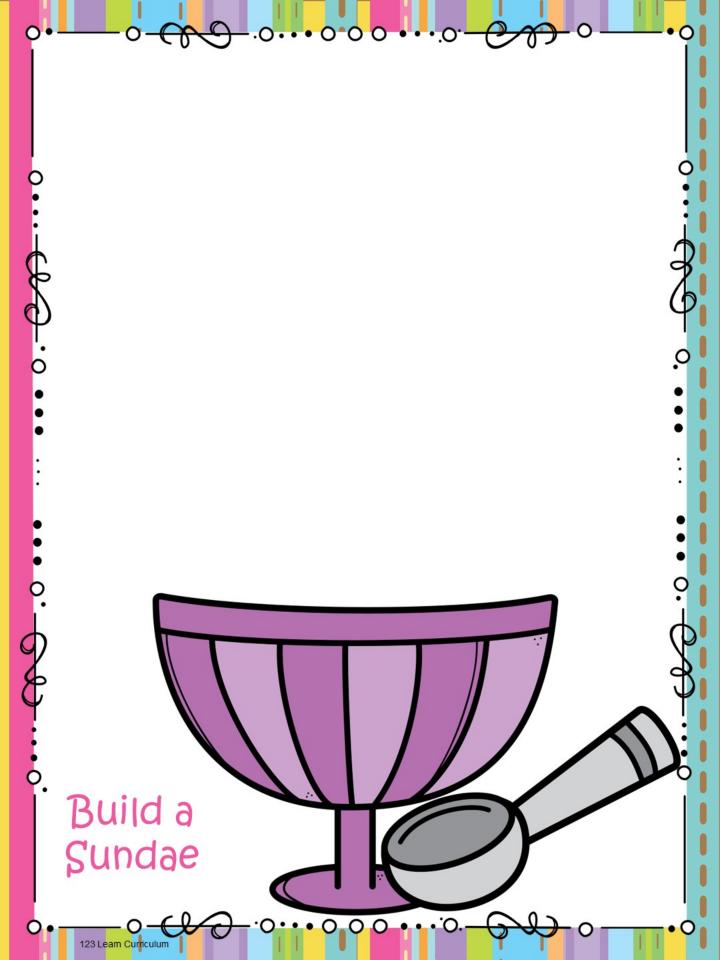
Using the build a sundae card and help toddlers build a sundae.

You have the build a sundae in b & w. You can have toddlers (or preschoolers) color, and glue together.

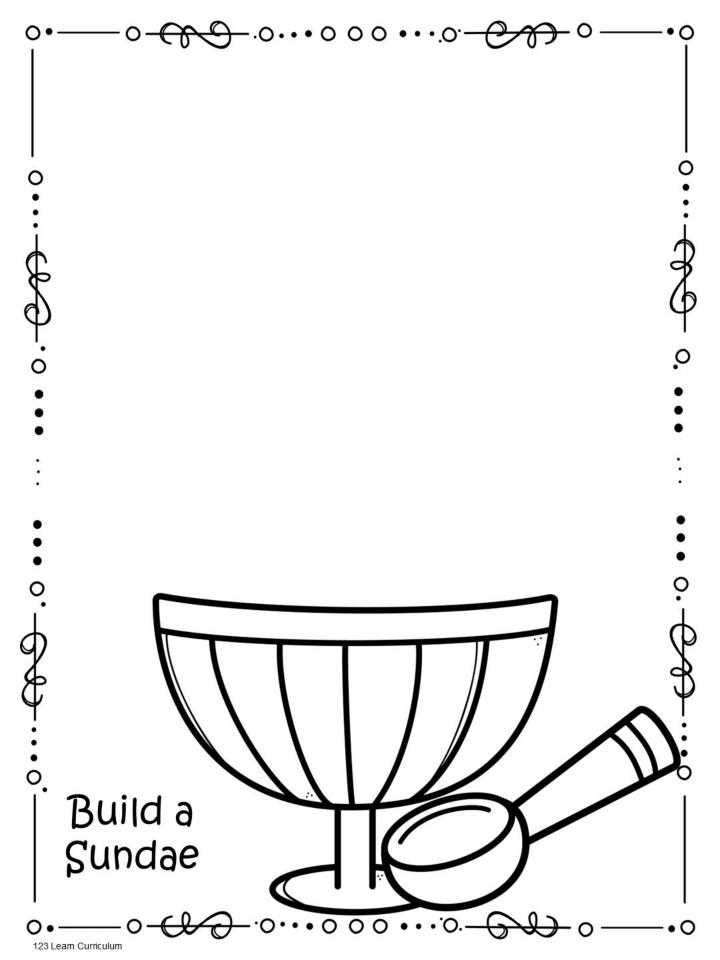
Younger children you will have to cut out pieces for them.

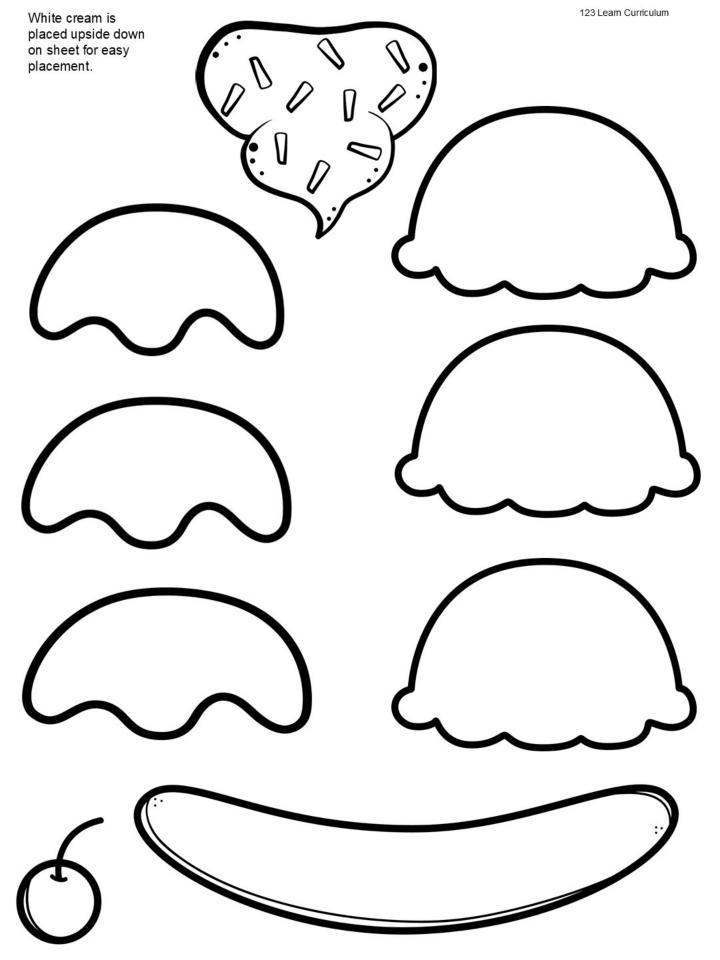
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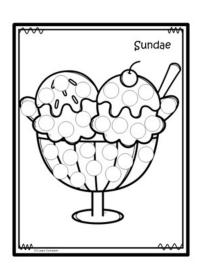
Ice Cream Paint Daubers

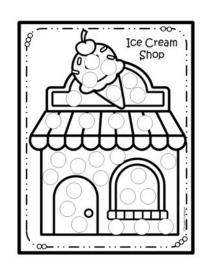
Materials:

- White card stock
- Dot a Dot Paint

Directions:

- 1. Print up the pet templates onto white card stock.
- Place in the art area with paint daubers.
 - 3. During free time children can paint.



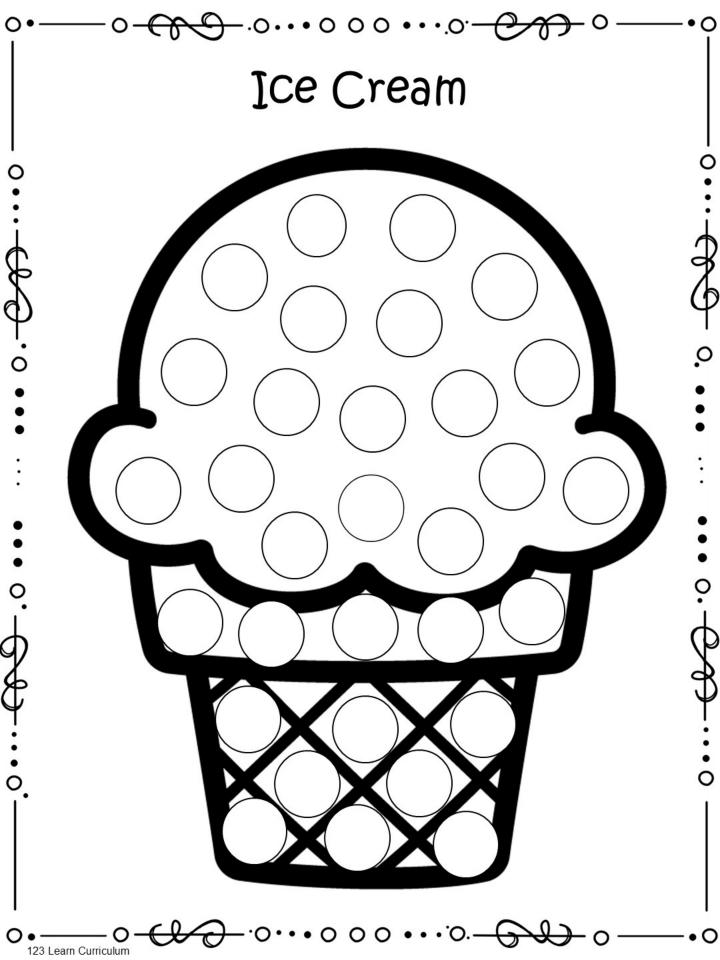


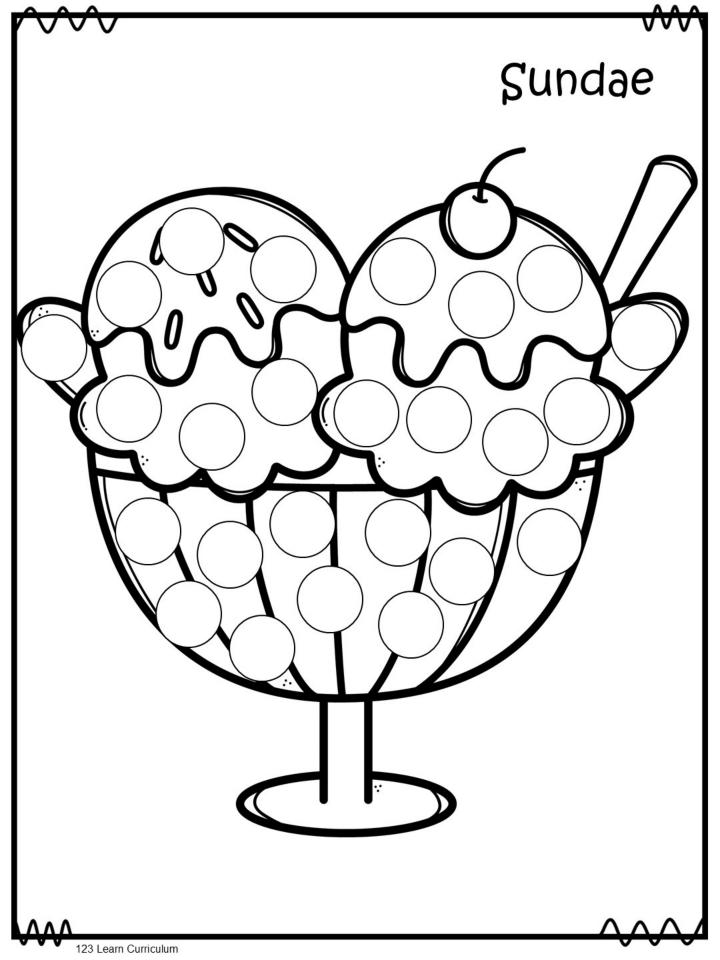
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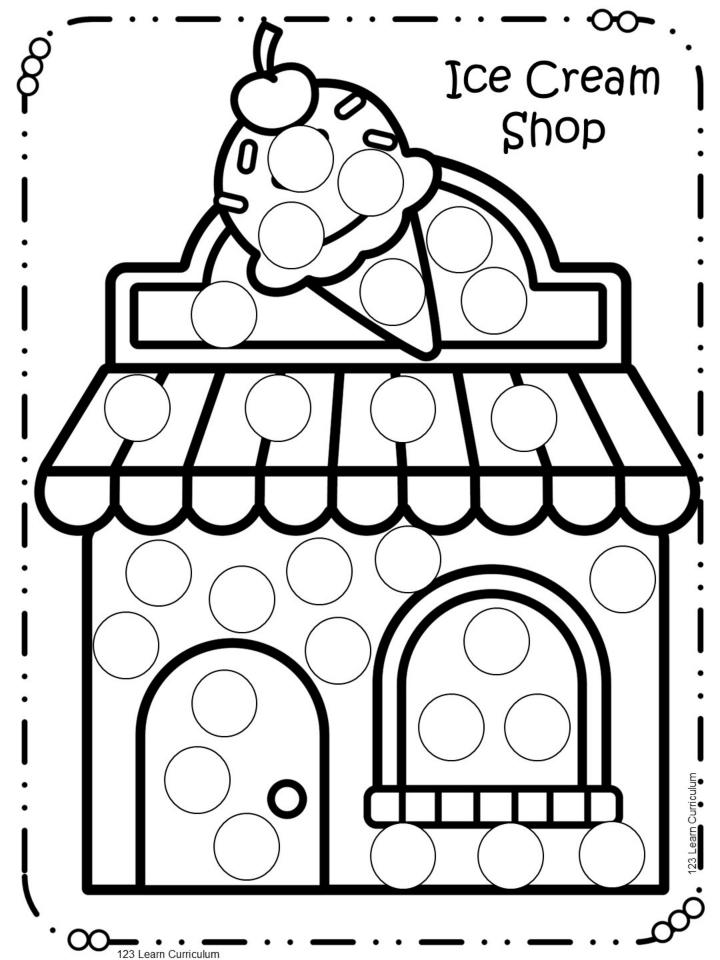
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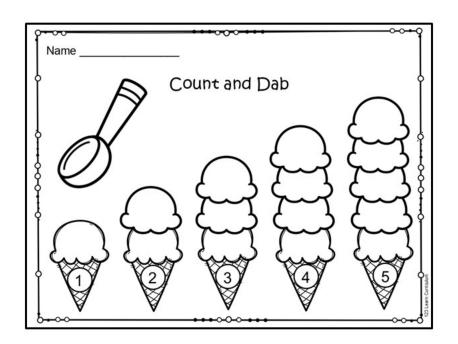








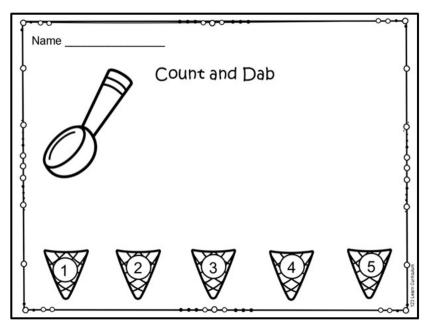
Count and Dab



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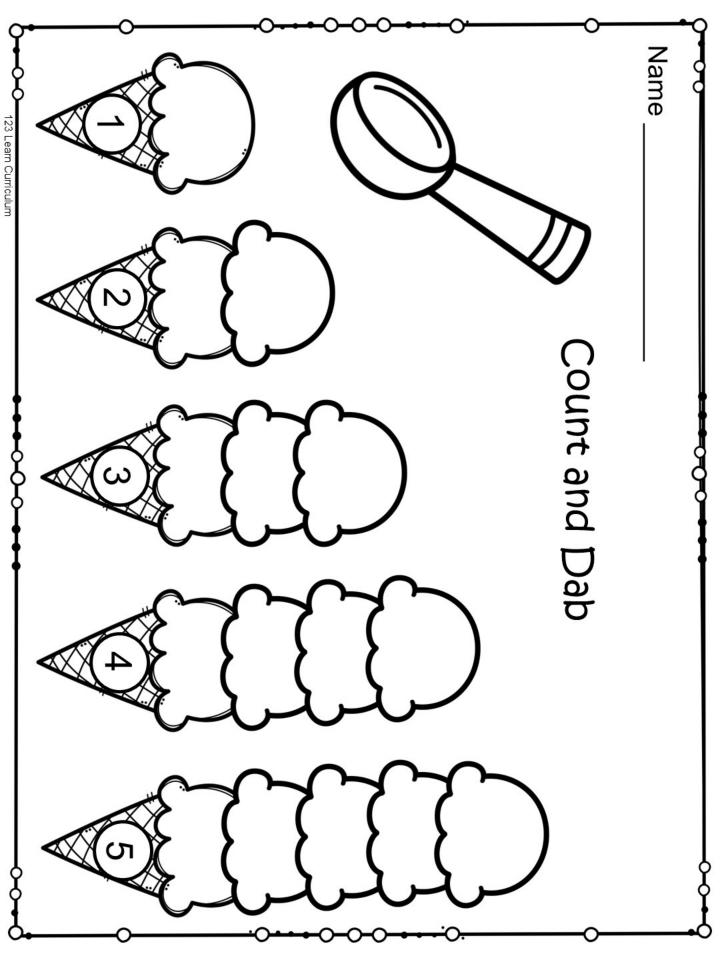
- White card stock
- Crayons
- Dot Markers

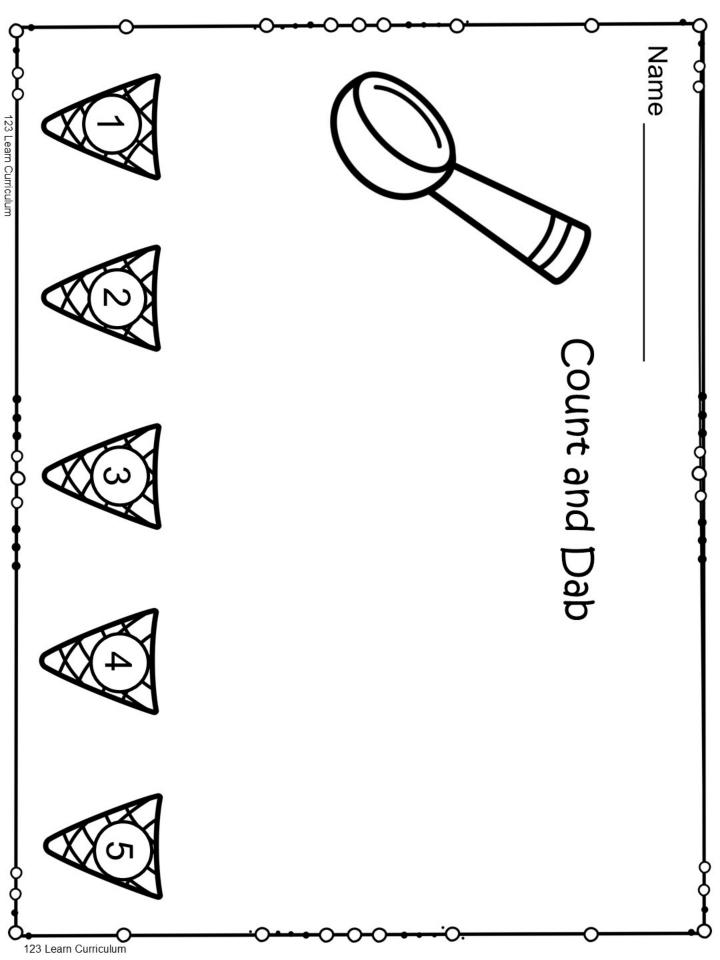




Directions:

 You have the option of 2 templates. With each template have children color and then dab a color for scoops of ice cream matching the number on each cone.





Ice Cream Cone Relay

An ice cream cone relay is a fun and creative game, often used at parties or outdoor events. The basic idea is similar to an egg-and-spoon race, but instead of an egg, participants balance a ball or pom-pom on top of an ice cream cone while navigating an obstacle course or racing to a finish line.

How to Play:

Materials Needed:

Ice cream cones (real or plastic)

Large pom-poms or plastic balls

An obstacle course or designated race path

A timer (optional)

Setup:

Define the race path or obstacle course.

Each player gets an ice cream cone and a pom-pom or ball. The goal is to carry the "ice cream" (pom-pom or ball) on the cone without dropping it.

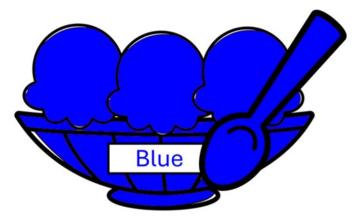
Rules:

Players must move through the course while balancing the pom-pom on the cone.

If the pom-pom falls, they must return to the starting point and try again.

The player or team that completes the course the fastest wins.

Ice Cream Sundae Color Match



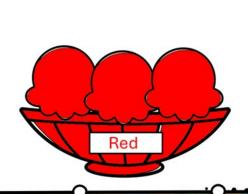
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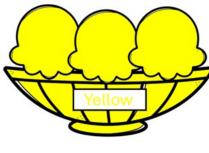
- White card stock
- Laminating sheets
- Scissors

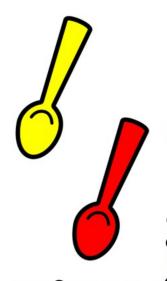
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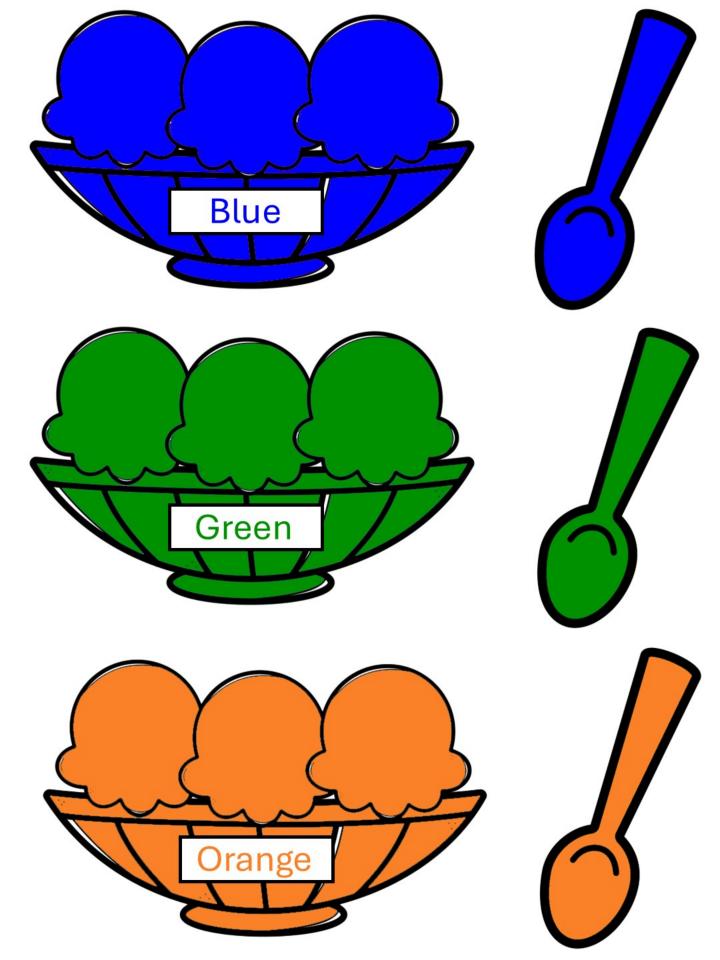
- Print up the following sheets.
- Laminate and cut out.
- Have children sit at a table with the sundaes and spoons. Ask them if they know the color, tell them the color if they need help and have them match the spoon to the correct color sundae.

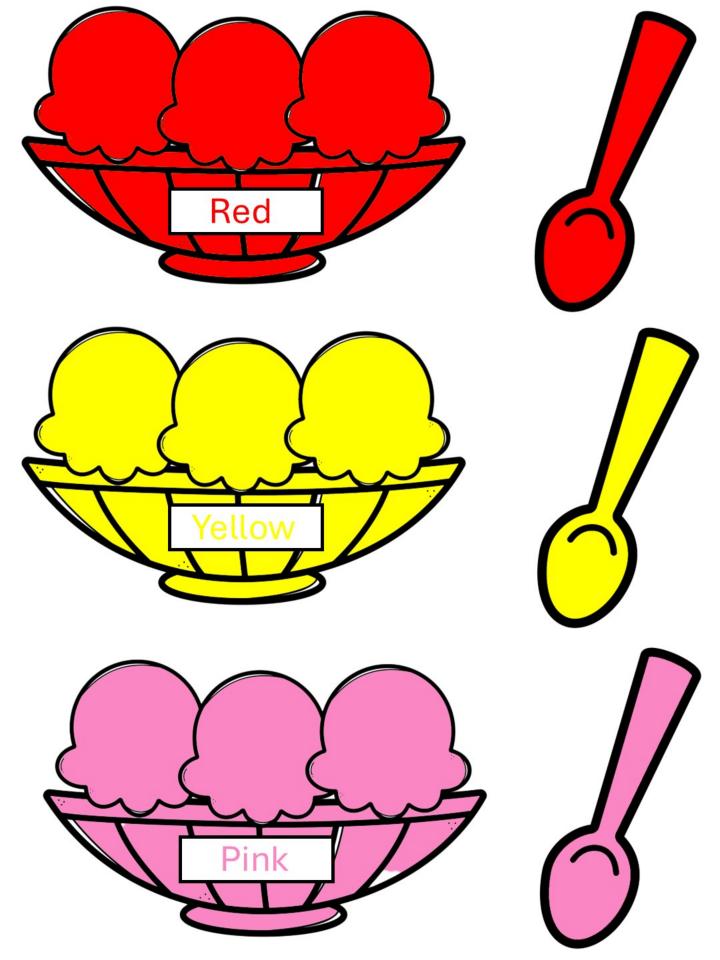
You have the option of color or b & w template. Color b & w template before laminating.

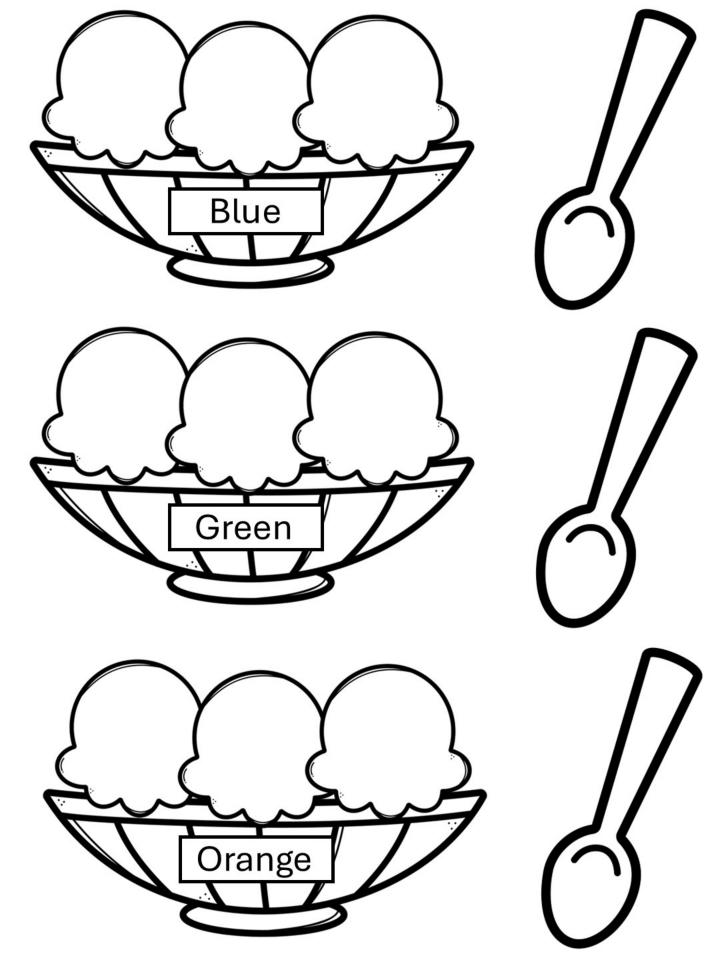


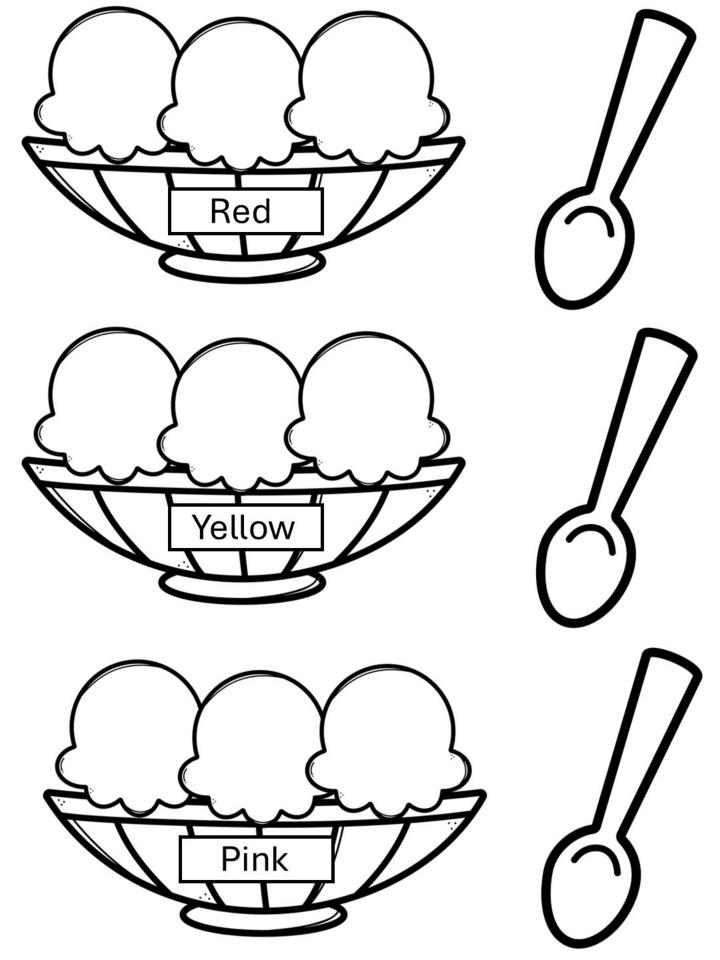












Pass the Ice Cream

Read the Book Should I share My Ice Cream by Mo Williems.

How to Play:

Materials Needed:

Paper Mache Cones (or beige cardstock)
Black Marker
Large plastic balls (ball pit type balls)
Clear tape if using beige cardstock



Directions:

Draw lines on the cones or beige paper, to look like lines on an ice cream cone. If using beige paper, roll paper into a cone shape, making sure opening is wide enough for the ball to fit inside. Secure the edges with clear tape.

After reading Should I share my Ice Cream, give each child a paper cone. Put a ball inside one of the cones to serve as "ice cream."

Encourage each child to take turns sharing their ice cream with their friend – by passing it from one to another.

A fun activity that is harder than it looks, especially when you you're little, but what a fun way to "share" and use "manners" at the same time.

Ice Cream Science Activities

Adapting ice cream science activities for different age groups can make them engaging and educational at various developmental levels. Here's how you can modify them:

Toddlers (Ages 1-3)

- Focus on Sensory Play Use ice cream-themed sensory bins with safe, edible materials like whipped cream or yogurt.
- Simple Cause and Effect Let them observe ice cream melting and talk about "hot" and "cold."
- Basic Counting Have them count scoops as they pretend to serve ice cream.

Preschoolers (Ages 3-5)

- Hands-On Science Making ice cream in a bag teaches them about temperature and changes in matter.
- Sorting and Matching Use ice cream cone cutouts to match colors, letters, or numbers.
- **Simple Predictions** Ask them what they think will happen when ice cream is left in the sun.



Science Ice Cream in a Bag

Ice cream science experiment – Show them how salt lowers the freezing point of ice by making homemade ice cream in a bag. All you need is milk, sugar, vanilla, and ice with salt.

Materials Needed:

- ½ cup cream
- 1 tbsp sugar
 - ¼ tsp vanilla
 - 1/3 cup rock salt

- Small zipper bag
- Large zipper bag
- Ice

Directions:

- Put ½ cup cream, 1 tbsp sugar, and ¼ tsp vanilla in a small zipper bag. Seal tightly.
- Put 3 cups ice cubes and 1/3 cup rock salt in a large zipper bag.
- Put the small zipper bag inside the large zipper bag. Seal tightly.
- 4. Squeeze and shake bag until thickened. (About 10-15 minutes).
- 5. Eat!

Depends on how many children will depend on how many baggies you want to make. Children can take turns shaking the bags. Share. ☺



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Ice Cream in a Bag

What You Need:



½ cup cream



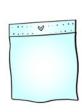
1 tbsp sugar



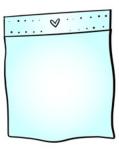
1/4 tsp vanilla



1/3 cup rock salt



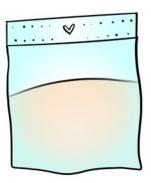
Small zipper bag



Large zipper bag



ice



Put cream, sugar and vanilla in small zipper bag. Seal tightly.



Put 3 cups ice cubes and 1/3 cup rock salt in a large zipper bag.

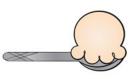


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Squeeze and shake bag until thickened. 10-15 minutes.





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Erupting Ice Cream Cones

Directions:

Mix in a small bowl
3 tbsp of water (per ice cream cone)
A few drops of food coloring
4-5 tbsp baking soda

Add mixture to a cake ice cream cone, Make several colors and cones.

Place the filled ice cream cones to a tray.

Add lemon juice or vinegar into a small squirt bottle and squire into the filled ice cream cone.

Watch the mixture erupt into the color of each cone.

Ice Cream Preschool Lesson Plan

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Language	Sign Language Learn the sign for ice cream	Review The Sign for Ice Cream	Sign Language Learn the Sign for Cold	Review the Sign for Cold	Review the signs for Ice Cream and Cold
Fingerplays and Songs	Banana Split	5 Ice Cream Cones	On Top of My Sundae	5 Ice Cream Cones at the Ice Cream Shop	Take Me Out For Some Ice Cream
	See Song Sheet	See Song Sheet	See Song Sheet	See Song Sheet	See Song Sheet
Literacy/Writing	Ice Cream Name	Read <u>Pete the Cat</u> <u>Screams for Ice</u> <u>Cream</u> by Kimberly & James Dean	Ice Cream Cone Prewriting Lines	Read <u>Should I Share</u> <u>My Ice Cream?</u> By Mo Willems	Ice Cream Writing Tray
Motor Small/Gross	Ice Cream Q-Tip Painting	Match The Ice Cream Shapes	Ice Cream Cone Relay	Ice Cream Sticker Activity	Ice Cream Scissor Skills
Sensory ↓ Science	Home Made Ice Cream		Erupting Ice Cream Cones		
Weekly Worksheets	Lacing Cards I is for Ice Cream Color the Oval Shapes	Ice Cream Sequencing Pictures that begin with the Letter I How Many Sundaes	Ice Cream Truck Cut and Glue Count the Ice Cream Scoops Pink Ice Cream Cone	 Ice Cream Paper Pasting Write the Word Ice Cream Color the Ovals 	 Ice Cream Treats – Color – Gut and Glue Learning the Number 2 Color Pink

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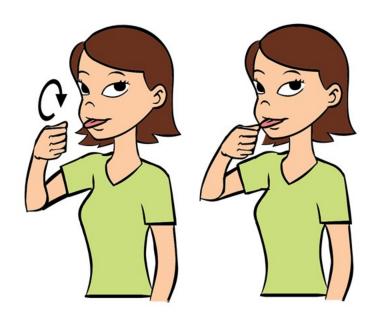
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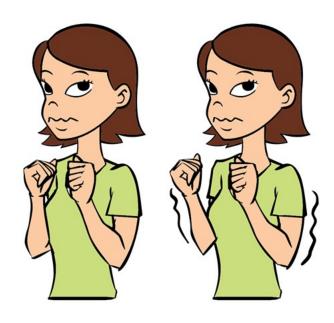
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To sign *ice cream*, form your dominant hand into a fist and starting a short distance above your mouth, move it down a little to below your chin, as if you were holding a cone and giving it a good lick.

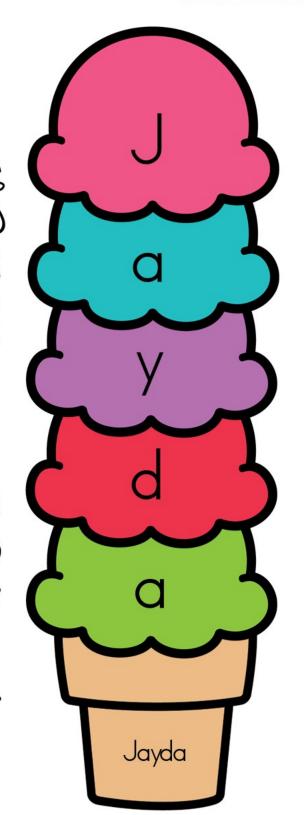
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To make the baby sign for *cold*, take both hands and make them into fists with thumbs up. Pull your upper arms into your sides, stiffen your forearms, and shake your fists back and forth. Remember to also match this sign with your facial expression of discomfort. The sign looks a lot like you are shivering.

Ice Cream Name

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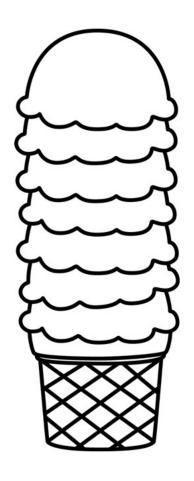
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- Scissors
- Glue
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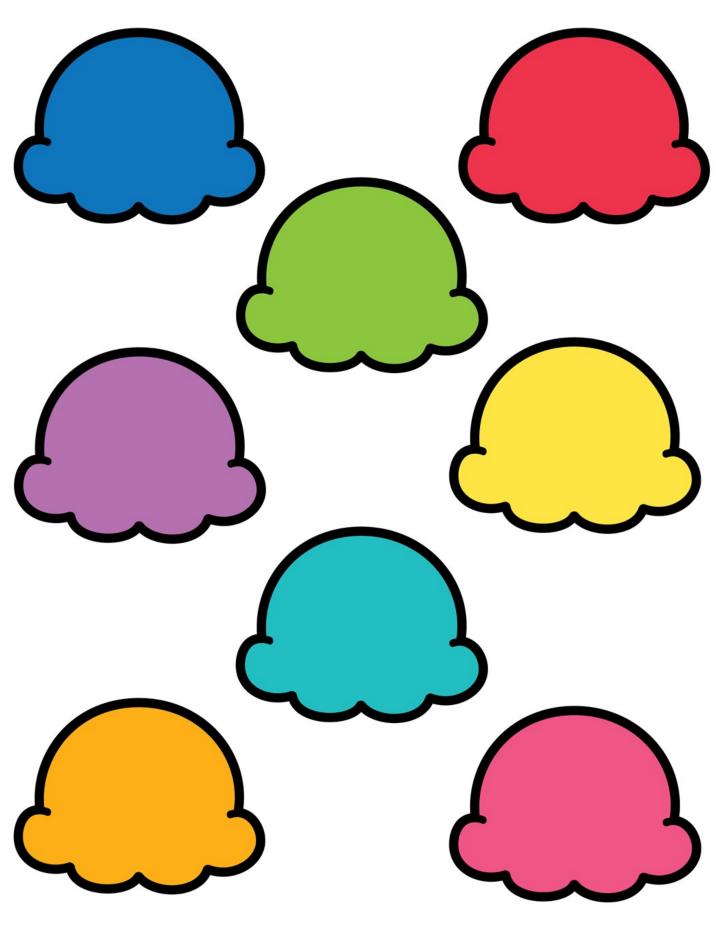
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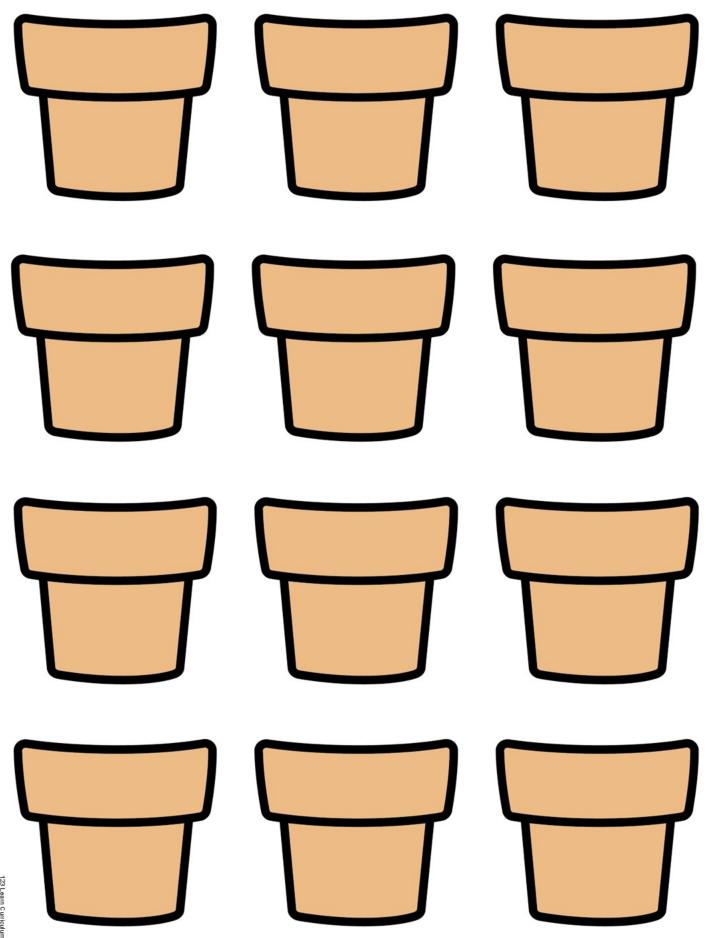
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- If using B & W template have children color.

Directions:

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- If using B & W template have children color.
- Have children cut out the scoops with their letters and the ice cream cone with their name.
- La out the cone and scoops on a flat surface.
- Arrange the scoops in order, spelling out child's name.
 Have them say out loud the letter of each letter as they put each piece in place.
- Secure each scoops to the cone using glue.

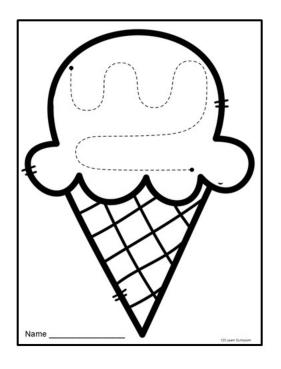






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Ice Cream Cone Prewriting Lines



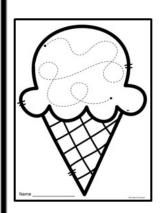
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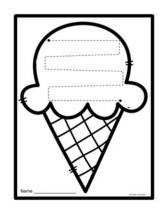
Copy paper Crayons or markers

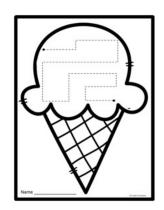


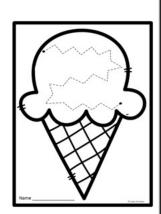
Directions:

- Print up and place in writing center.
- Have children trace the line in the ice cream cone using marker. (A marker will give a more defined line).
- · Have children color with crayons.





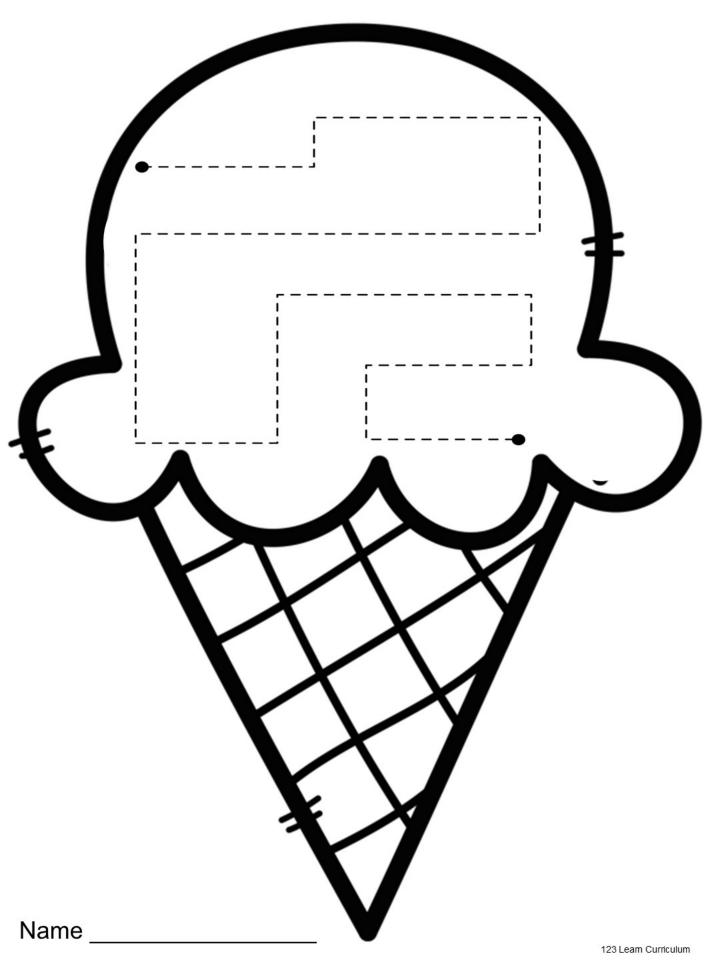


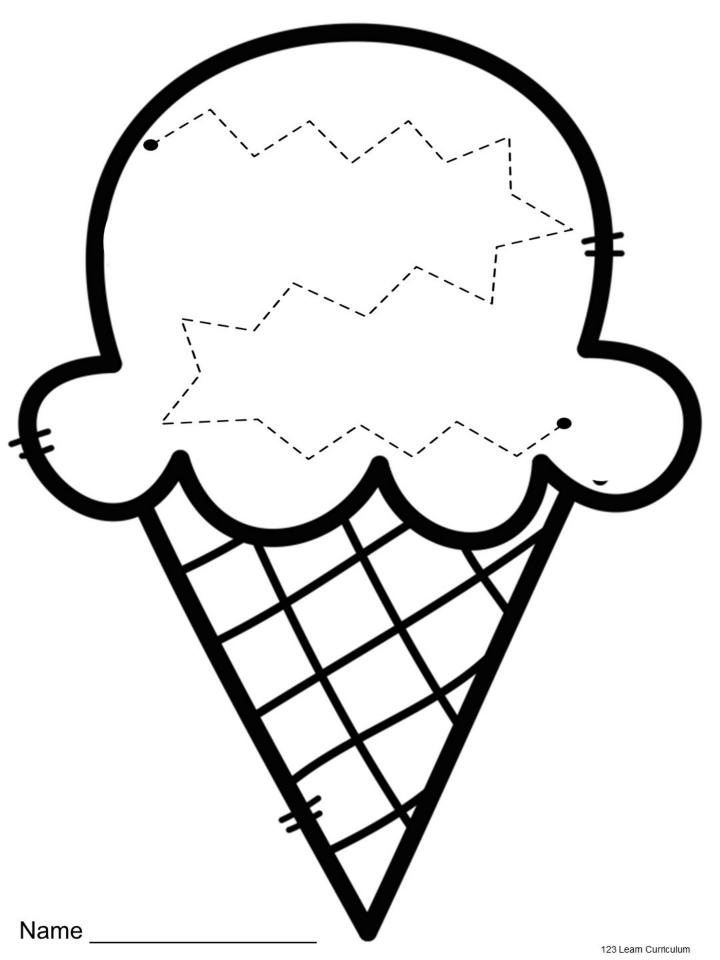






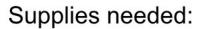












- White card stock
- Laminating sheets
- Scissors
- Sand tray
- Sprinkles (In place of sand)



Directions:

- Print up on white card stock.
- Laminate.
- Trim.
- Have children place cards in a box with sand or salt. Have children practice writing the letters.
 Use a pencil or a candy cane.

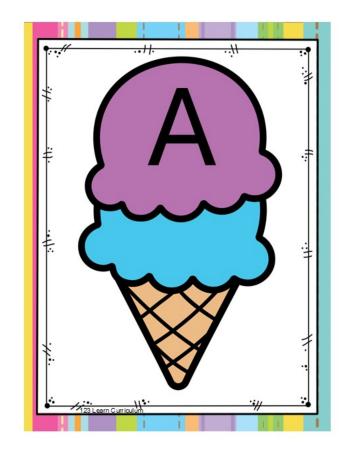
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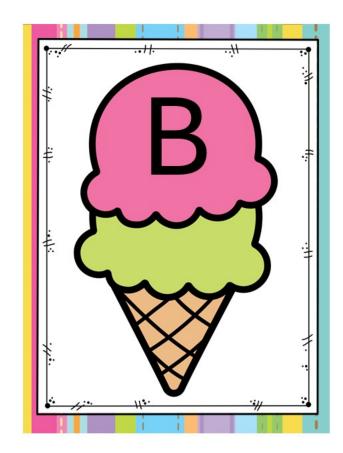


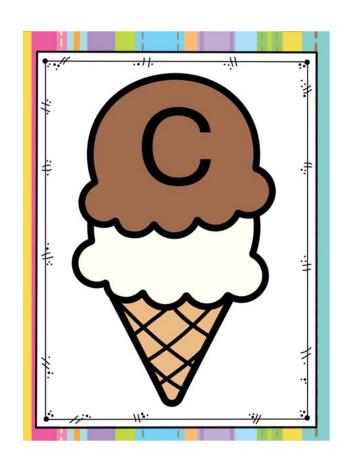
Sand Writing Tray

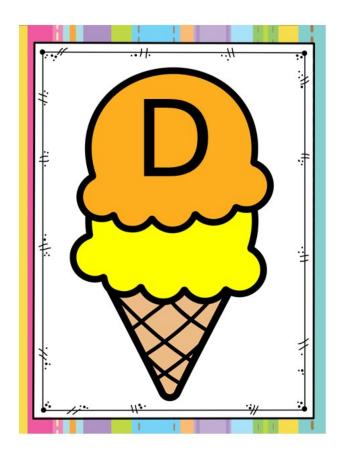
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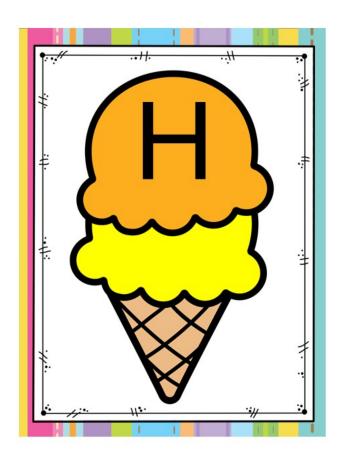


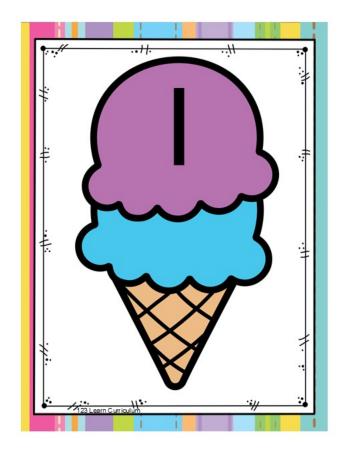


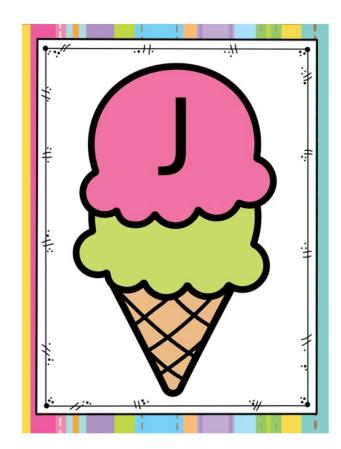


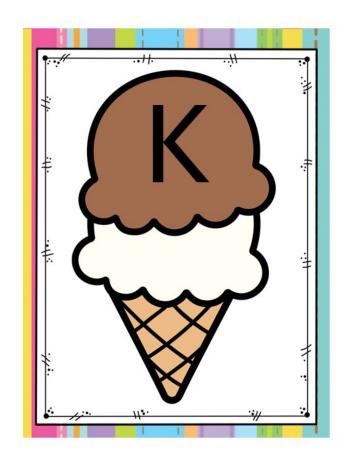


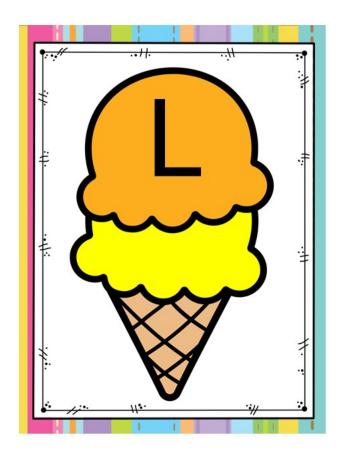


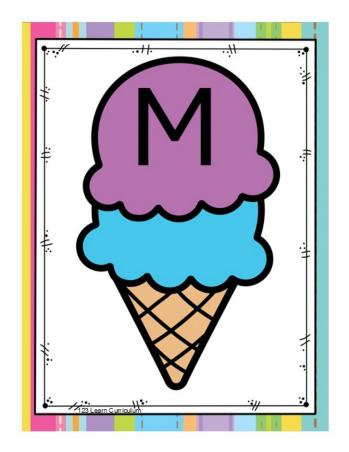


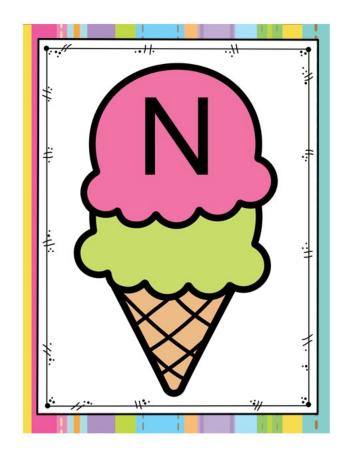


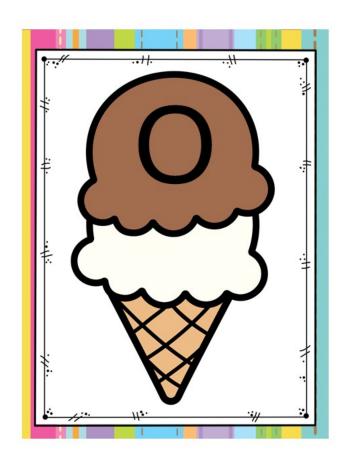


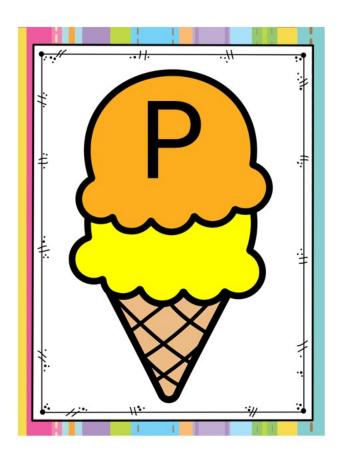




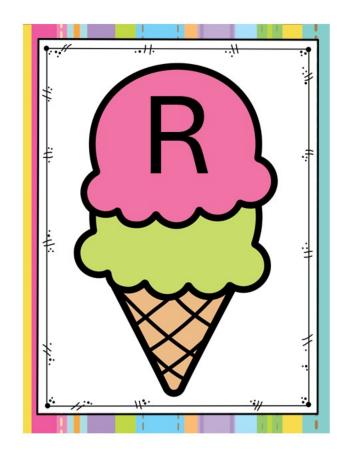


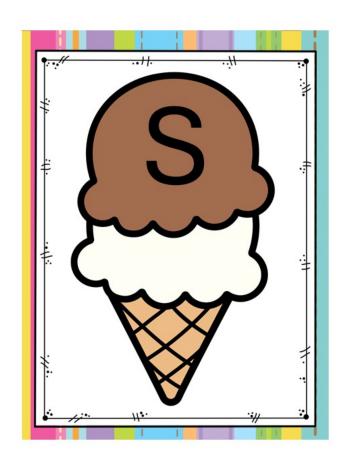


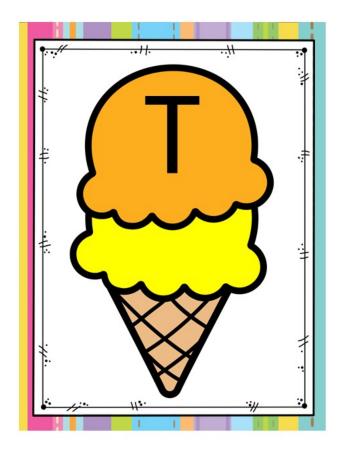


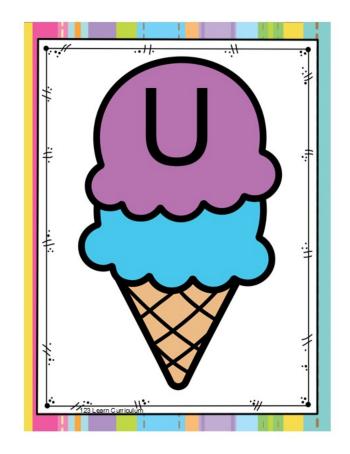


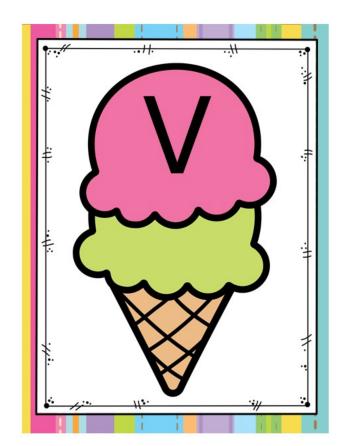


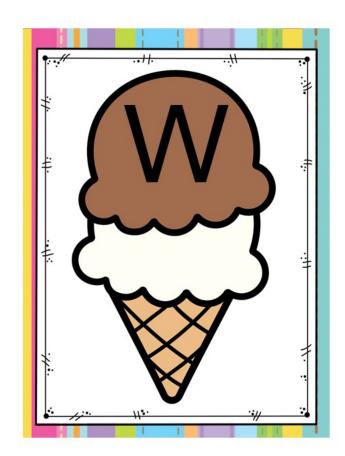


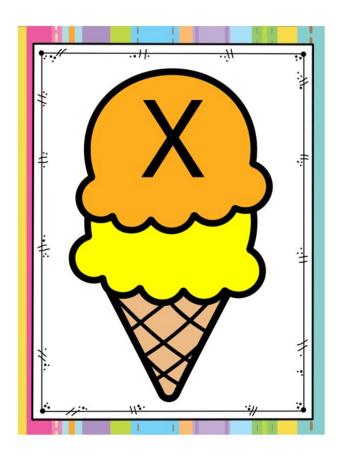


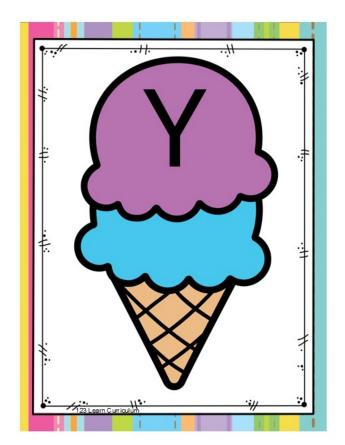










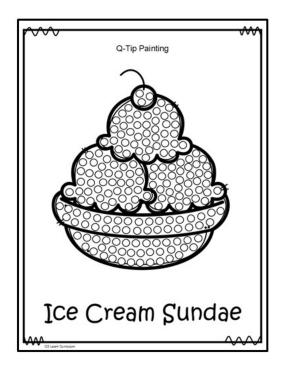




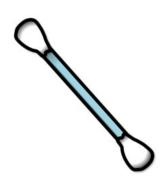
Ice Cream Painting

- Print up sheets on white card stock.
- Have small containers of paint available for children and let them paint pictures using Q-Tips and paint.

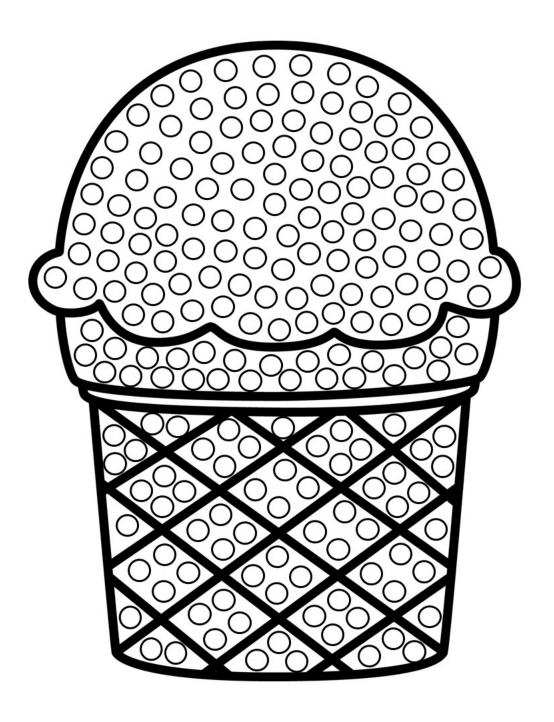






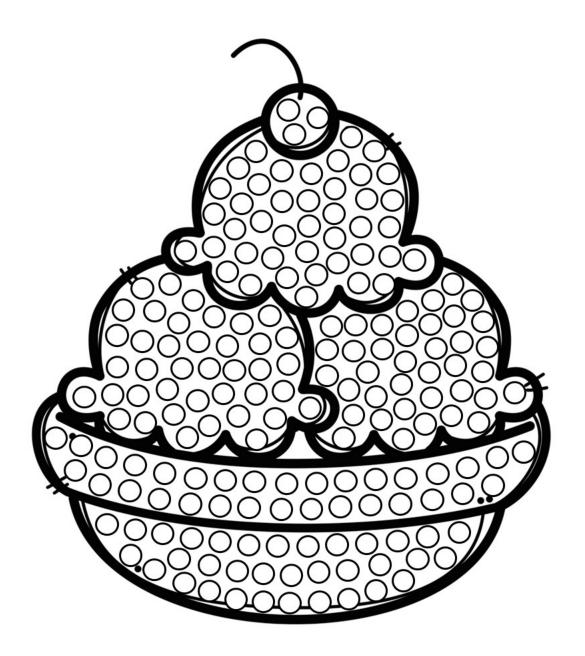


Q-Tip Painting



Ice Cream Cone

Q-Tip Painting



Ice Cream Sundae

Match the Ice Cream Shapes

Materials:

- Shape Cards
- Clothes Pins
- Laminating sheets

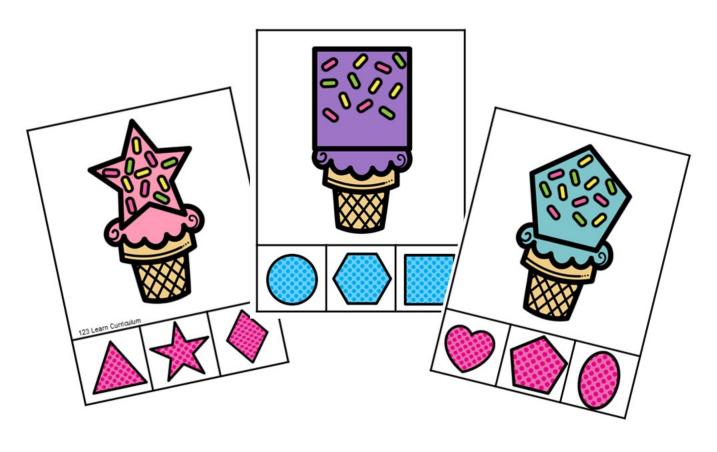
Directions: Print up cards onto white card stock. Trim and laminate. Have children sit at the table with the shape cards and clothes pins. Have children match the bubble shape to the shape wand by using a clothespin.

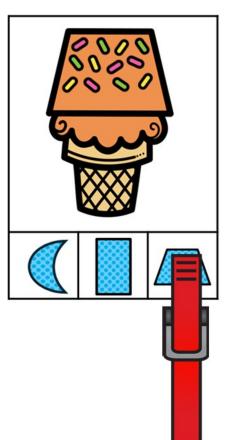
You can make this activity self-checking by placing a small sticker on the back of the card behind the correct answer before laminating.

Good small motor skills. Let them practice opening and closing the clothes pin.

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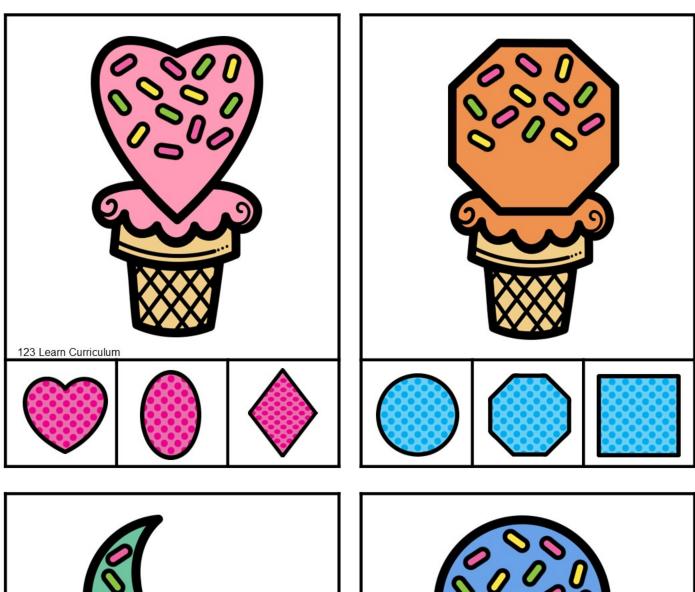


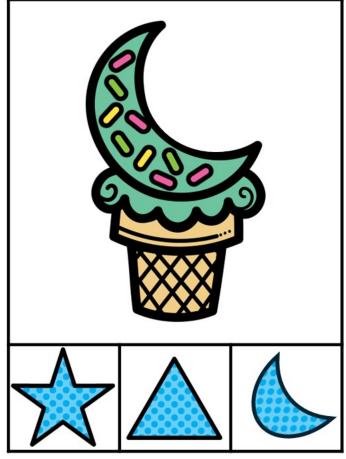


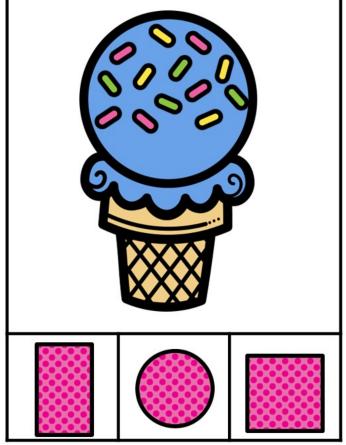


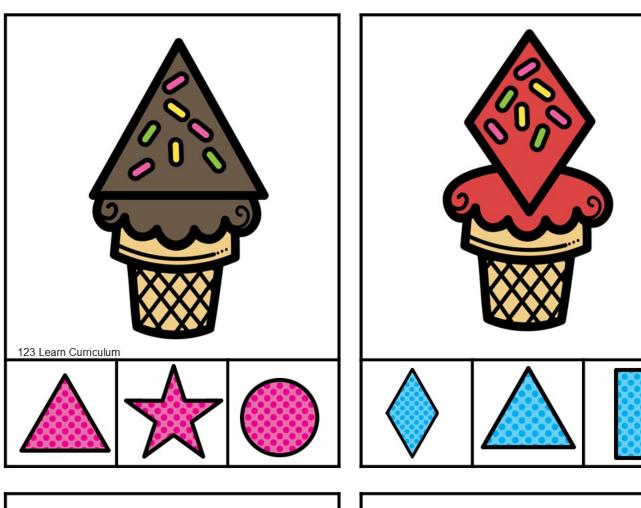
Use clothes pins to match the shape on each card. Talk about the matching shape.

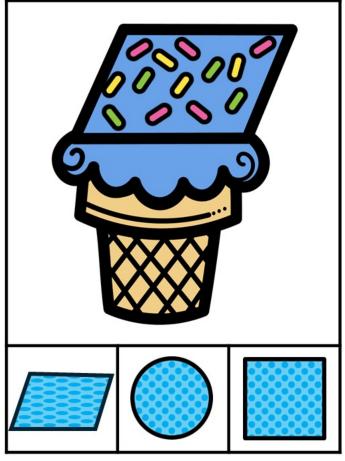


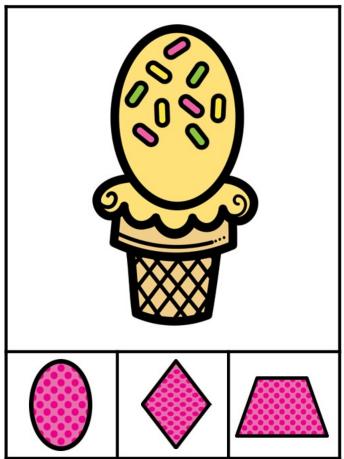


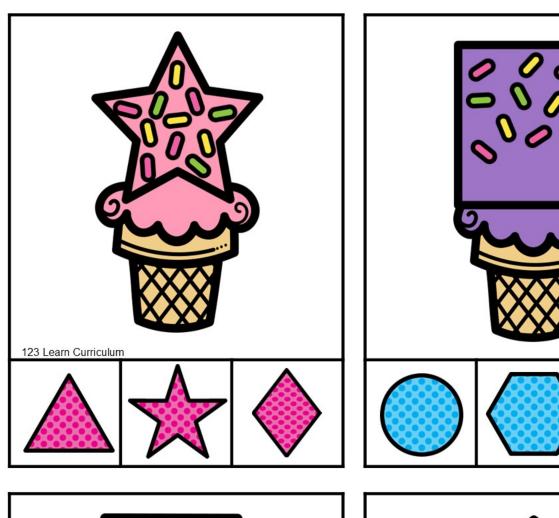


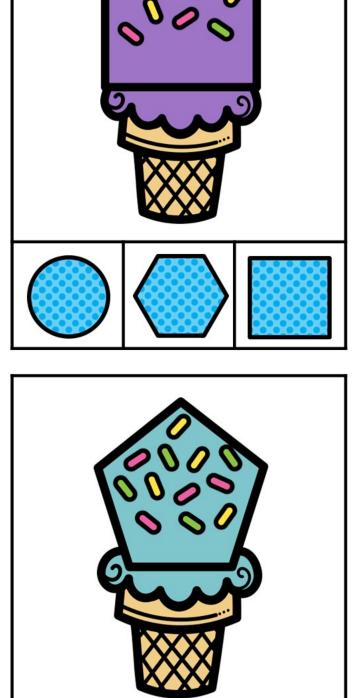


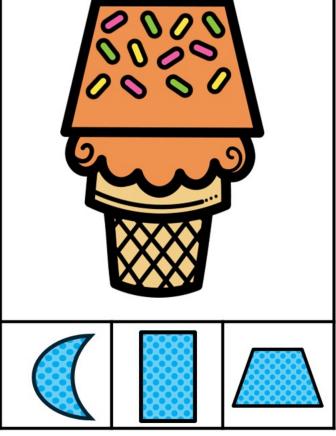


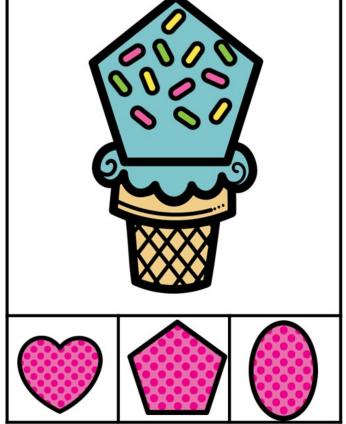












Ice Cream Cone Relay

An ice cream cone relay is a fun and creative game, often used at parties or outdoor events. The basic idea is similar to an egg-and-spoon race, but instead of an egg, participants balance a ball or pom-pom on top of an ice cream cone while navigating an obstacle course or racing to a finish line.

How to Play:

Materials Needed:

Ice cream cones (real or plastic)

Large pom-poms or plastic balls

An obstacle course or designated race path

A timer (optional)

Setup:

Define the race path or obstacle course.

Each player gets an ice cream cone and a pom-pom or ball. The goal is to carry the "ice cream" (pom-pom or ball) on the cone without dropping it.

Rules:

Players must move through the course while balancing the pom-pom on the cone.

If the pom-pom falls, they must return to the starting point and try again.

The player or team that completes the course the fastest wins.

Ice Cream Sticker Activity

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Supplies needed:

- White card stock
- Stickers
- Additional Options: Pom poms, play dough or paint daubers.
- For b & w color match template – crayons/markers plus stickers.



Directions:

Print up color match template on white card stock.

Laminate.

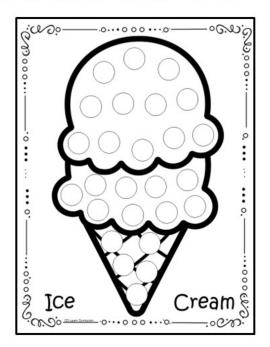
Have children sit at the table with a copy of the color match template. Decide what you are going to use ahead of time.



Are you going to use play dough, pom poms or daubers? You will need pink, red, yellow, purple color - whatever you decide to use.

Have children take the items they are using and cover the color circles on the ice cream picture with the correct color. If using play dough, have them roll the play dough into balls and place on the template. Pom poms, place the correct color on the template and paint daubers, paint the circles with the correct paint dauber. Keep baby wipes available to wipe off the paint daubers to use again.

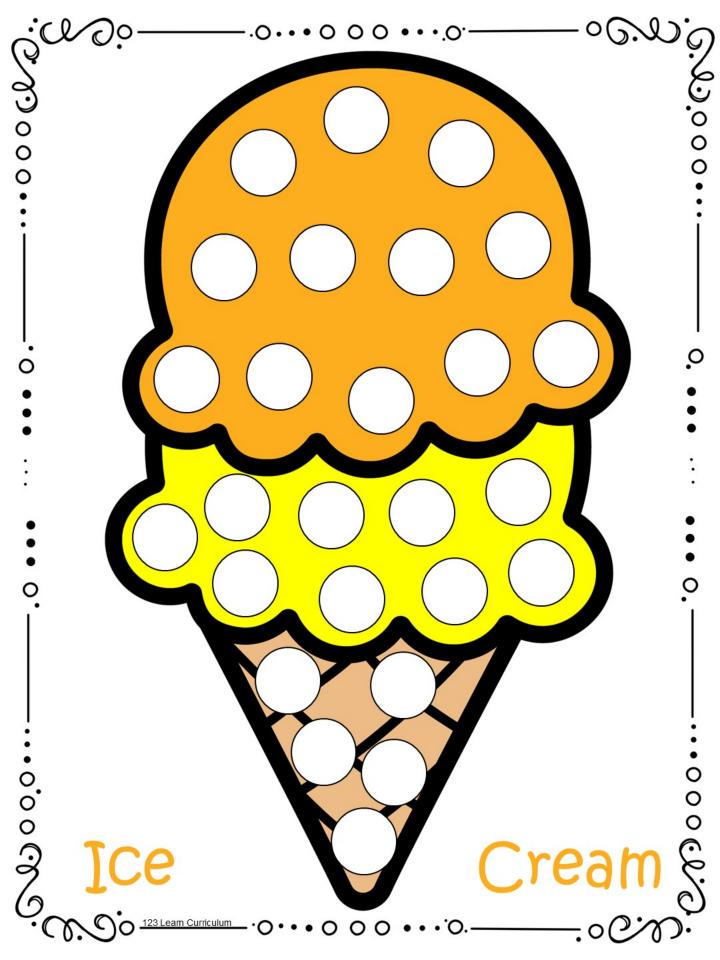
You can also use the b & w template. Print up on white card stock. Have children color with crayons or markers. Have children place stickers on the circles. Whatever colors they would like to use to make a colorful ice cream cone.

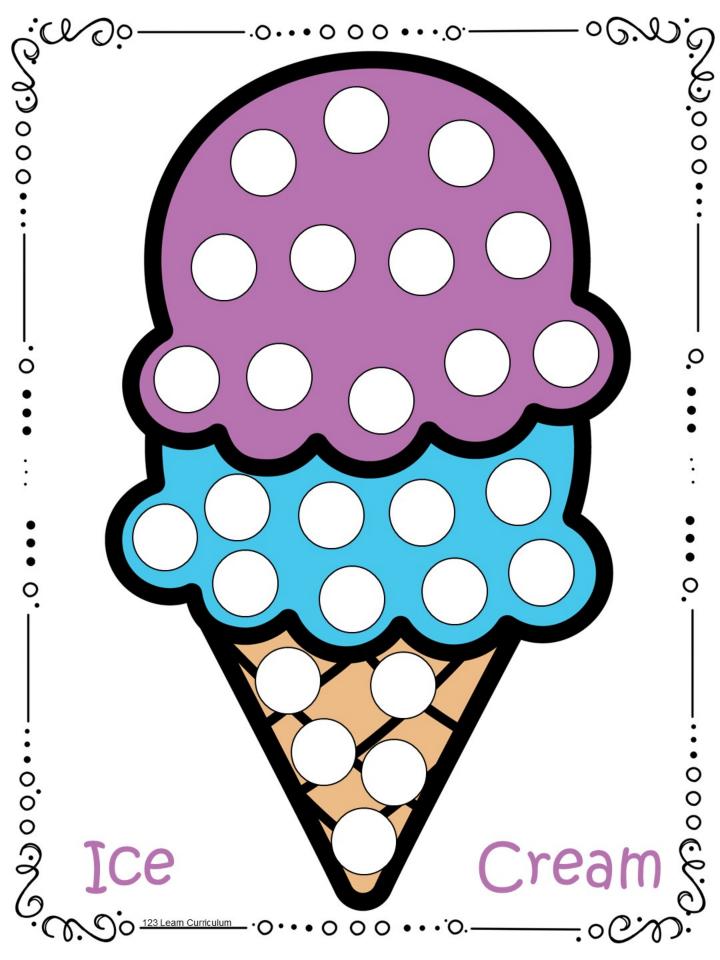


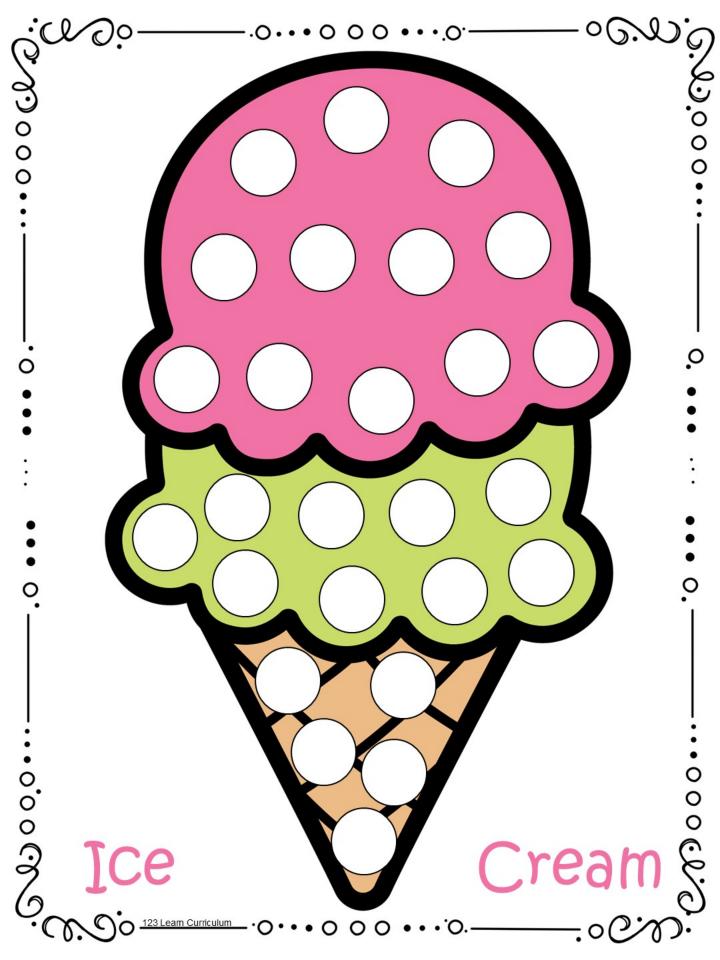


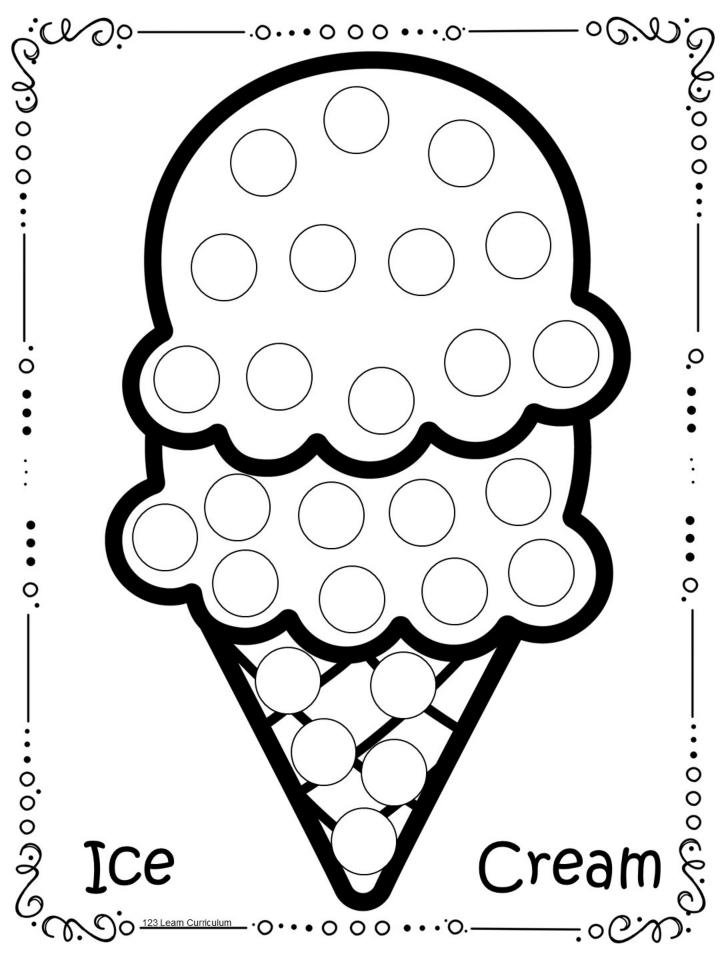
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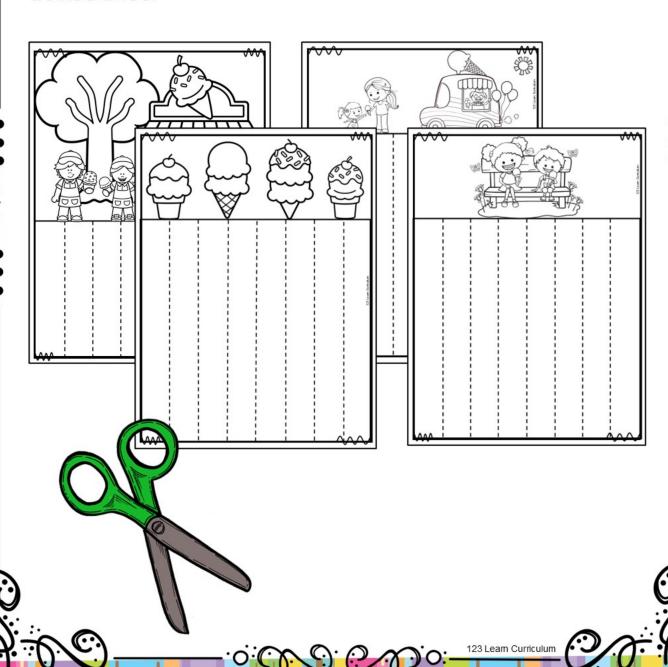
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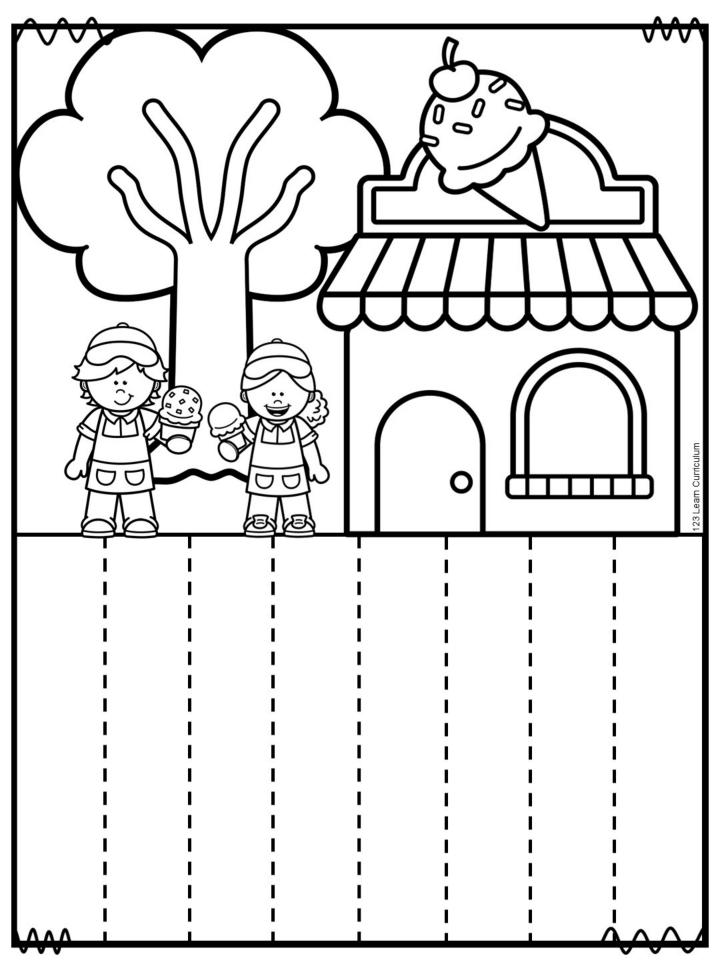
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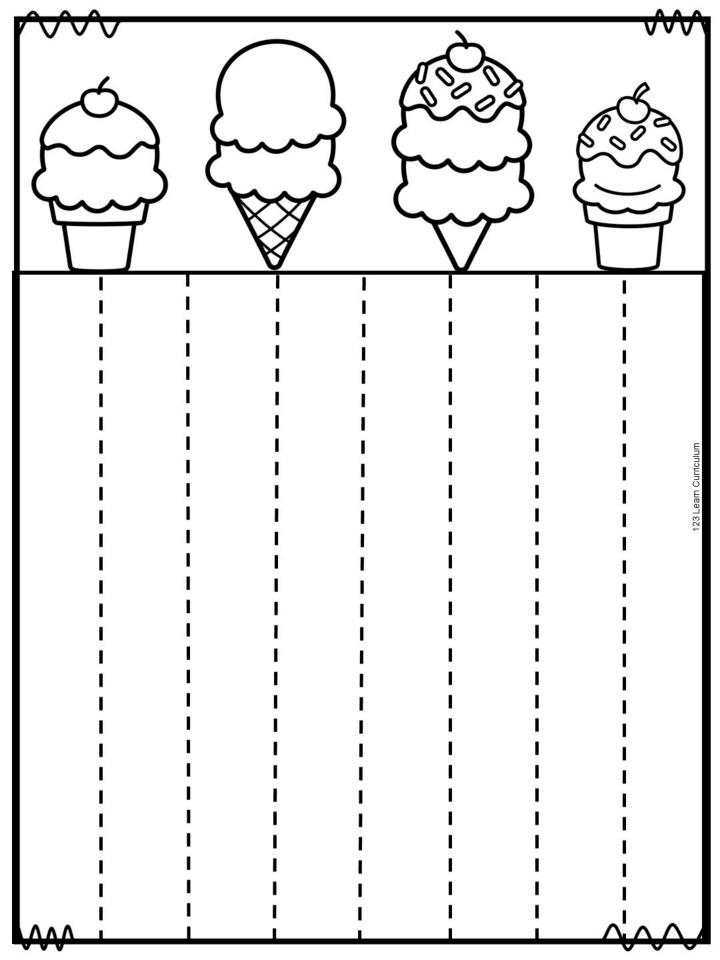
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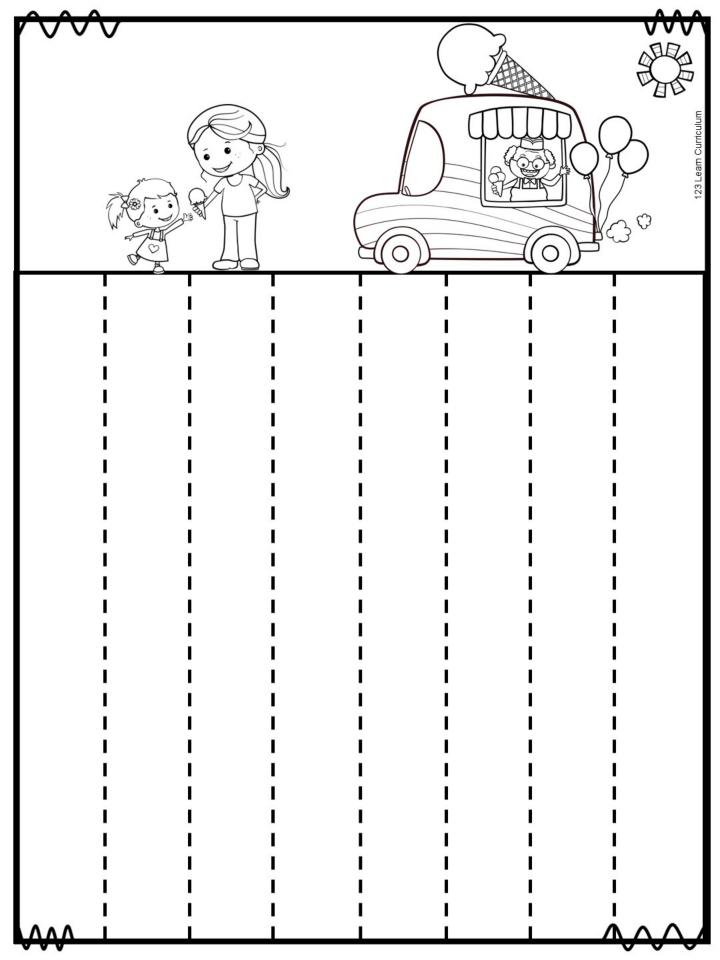
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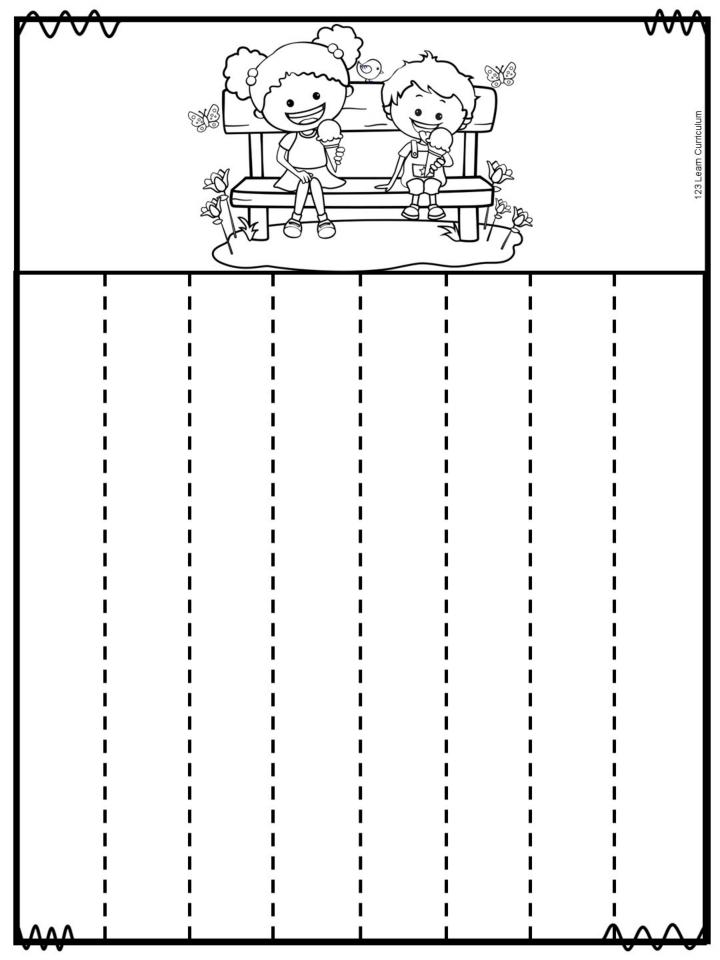
Have children color sheet and using scissors cut on the dotted lines.











Ice Cream Science Activities

Adapting ice cream science activities for different age groups can make them engaging and educational at various developmental levels. Here's how you can modify them:

Toddlers (Ages 1-3)

- Focus on Sensory Play Use ice cream-themed sensory bins with safe, edible materials like whipped cream or yogurt.
- Simple Cause and Effect Let them observe ice cream melting and talk about "hot" and "cold."
- Basic Counting Have them count scoops as they pretend to serve ice cream.

Preschoolers (Ages 3-5)

- Hands-On Science Making ice cream in a bag teaches them about temperature and changes in matter.
- Sorting and Matching Use ice cream cone cutouts to match colors, letters, or numbers.
- **Simple Predictions** Ask them what they think will happen when ice cream is left in the sun.



Science Ice Cream in a Bag

Ice cream science experiment – Show them how salt lowers the freezing point of ice by making homemade ice cream in a bag. All you need is milk, sugar, vanilla, and ice with salt.

Materials Needed:

- ½ cup cream
- 1 tbsp sugar
 - ¼ tsp vanilla
 - 1/3 cup rock salt

- Small zipper bag
- Large zipper bag
- Ice

Directions:

- Put ½ cup cream, 1 tbsp sugar, and ¼ tsp vanilla in a small zipper bag. Seal tightly.
- Put 3 cups ice cubes and 1/3 cup rock salt in a large zipper bag.
- Put the small zipper bag inside the large zipper bag. Seal tightly.
- 4. Squeeze and shake bag until thickened. (About 10-15 minutes).
- 5. Eat!

Depends on how many children will depend on how many baggies you want to make. Children can take turns shaking the bags. Share. ©



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Ice Cream in a Bag

What You Need:



½ cup cream



1 tbsp sugar



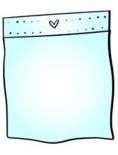
¼ tsp vanilla



1/3 cup rock salt



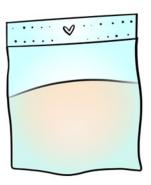
Small zipper bag



Large zipper bag



ice



Put cream, sugar and vanilla in small zipper bag. Seal tightly.



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Put the small zipper bag inside the large zipper bag. Seal tightly.



Squeeze and shake bag until thickened. 10-15 minutes.





Ice Cream in a Bag Put ½ cup cream, 1tbsp sugar, and 1/4 tsp vanilla in a small zipper bag. Seal tightly. Put 3 cups of ice cubes and 1/3 cup rock salt in a large zipper bag. Put the small zipper bag inside the large zipper bag. Seal tightly. Squeeze and shake bag, until thicken. (About 10 -15 minutes). Take turns shaking. Take out small bag, unseal, and EAT!

Erupting Ice Cream Cones

Directions:

Mix in a small bowl
3 tbsp of water (per ice cream cone)
A few drops of food coloring
4-5 tbsp baking soda

Add mixture to a cake ice cream cone, Make several colors and cones.

Place the filled ice cream cones to a tray.

Add lemon juice or vinegar into a small squirt bottle and squire into the filled ice cream cone.

Watch the mixture erupt into the color of each cone.

Monday – Large Group Activities

Lacing Cards

Children love lacing cards. You can print up the color lacing cards, cut out – leaving about ½ an inch border, laminate, and punch holes around the card using a hole punch.

Give the children lacing strings, yarn or shoelaces to lace the cards.

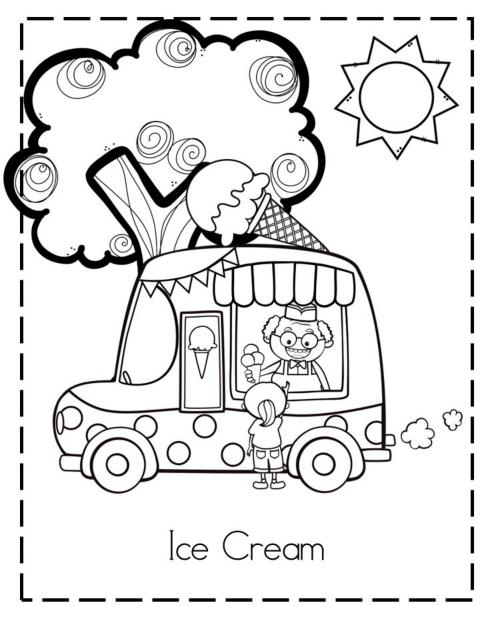
Lacing strings can be purchased through:

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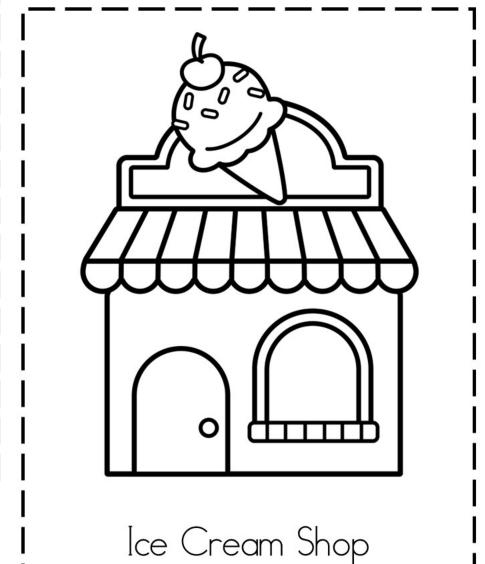


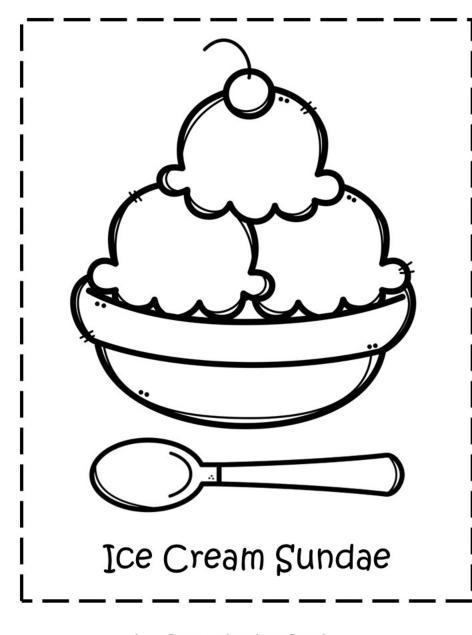
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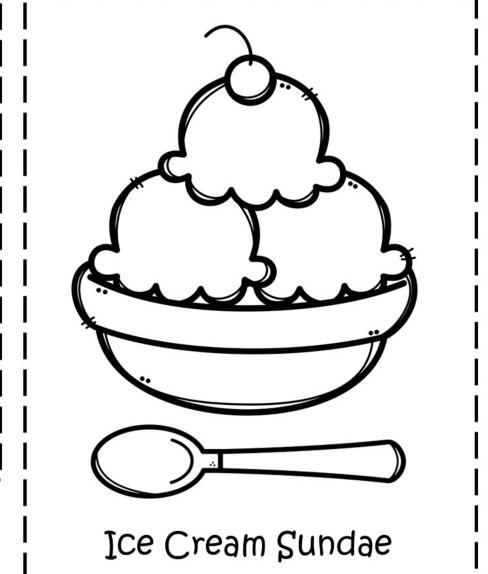
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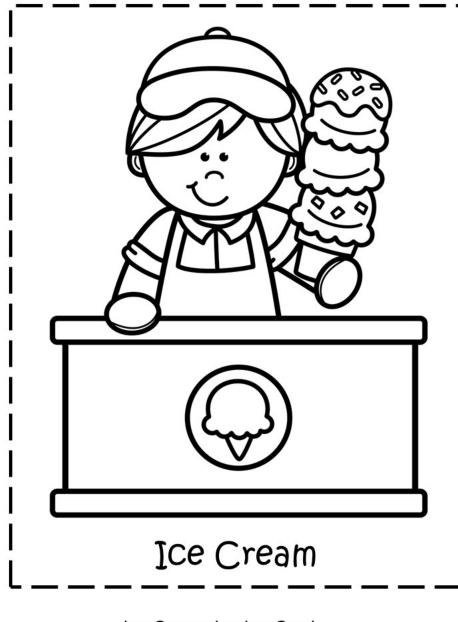




Ice Cream Lacing Card

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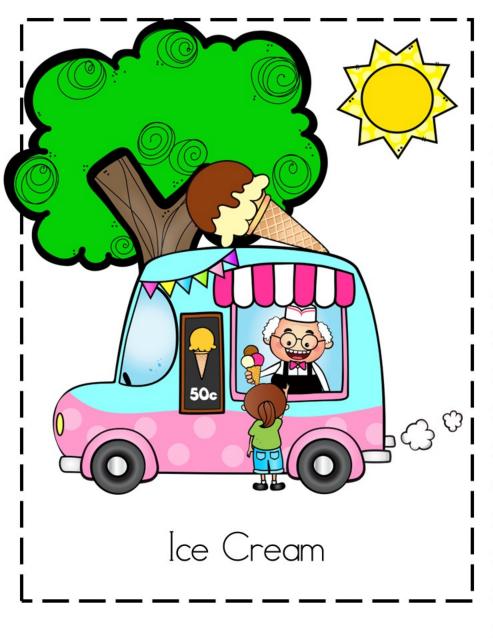


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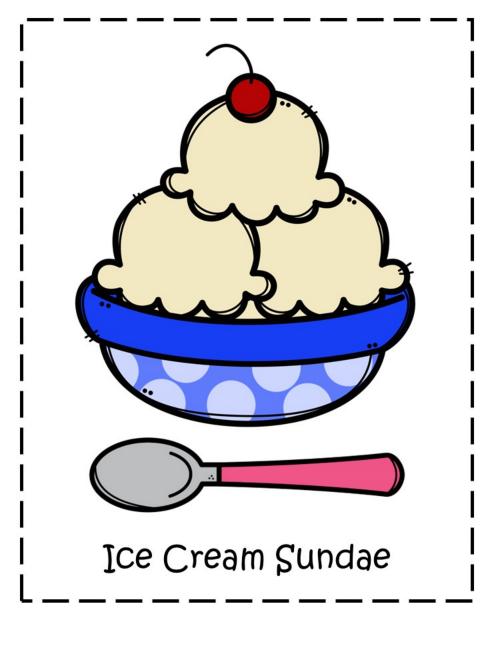
Ice Cream

Pets Lacing Card



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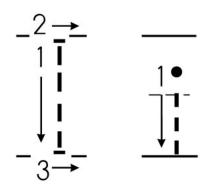


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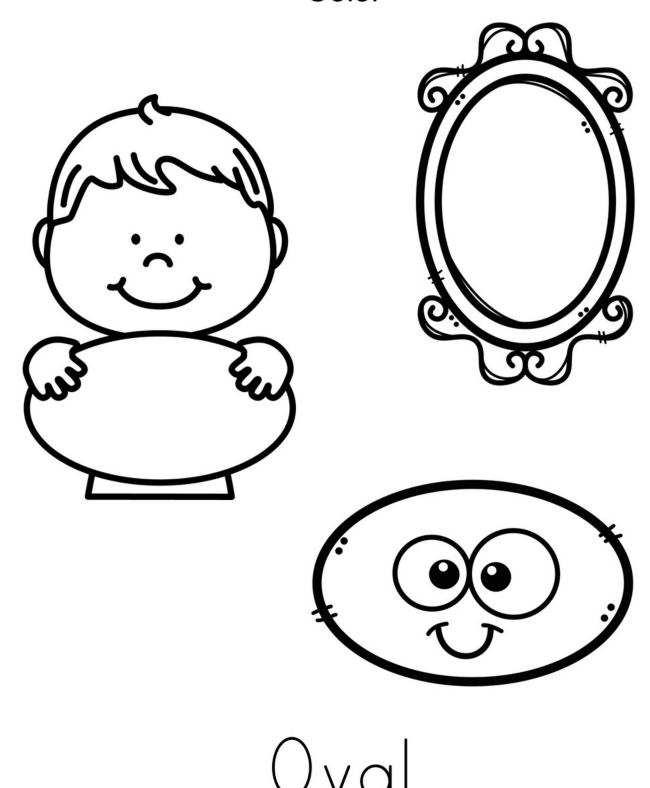




Write the word ice cream

ice cream





Tuesday – Large Group Activities

Ice Cream Sequencing

Print up the sheet with the ice cream on white card stock.

Give to the children to color and cut out. Glue them in sequence – smallest to largest.

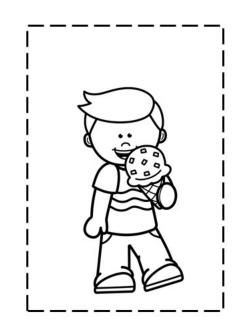
Print up the sequence – smallest to largest sheet on card stock, or hand print the information on a piece of construction paper.

Ice Cream Sequencing Small to Large

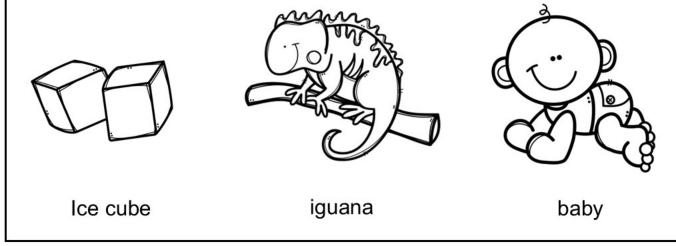
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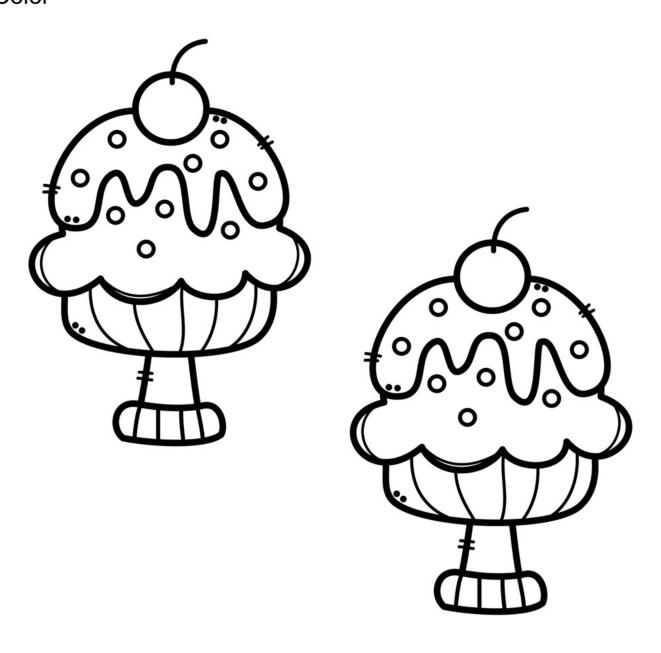




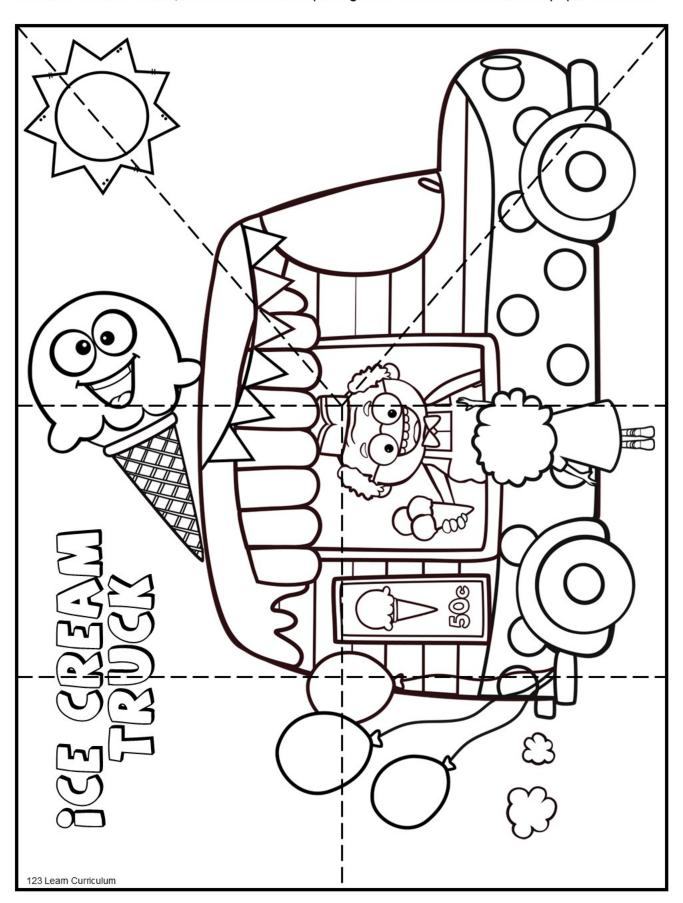
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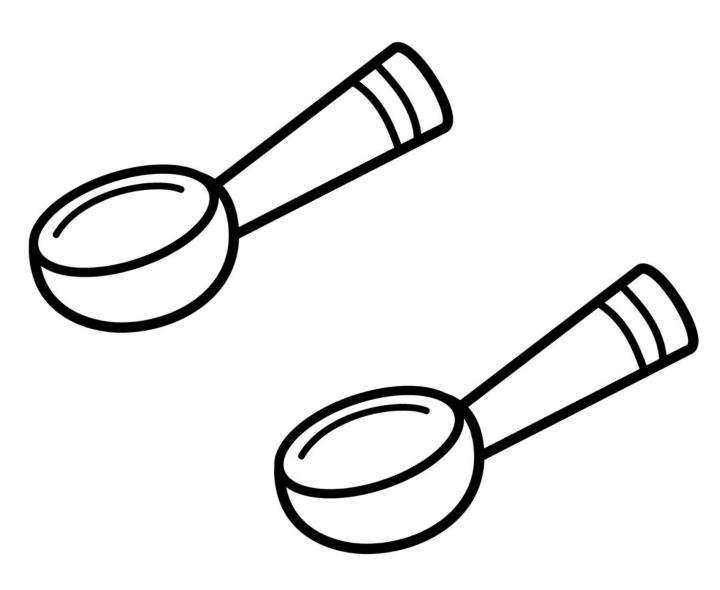
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Wednesday – Large Group Activities



Count the ice cream scoops.



Circle the number 2 - Color

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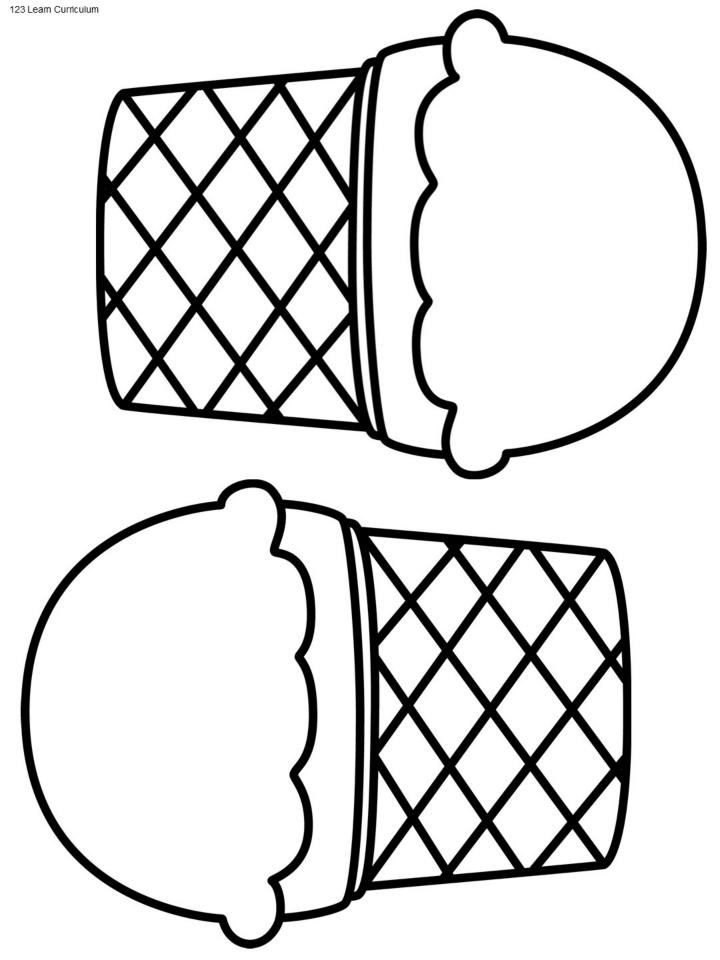
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Pink Ice Cream Cone



Thursday – Large Group Activities





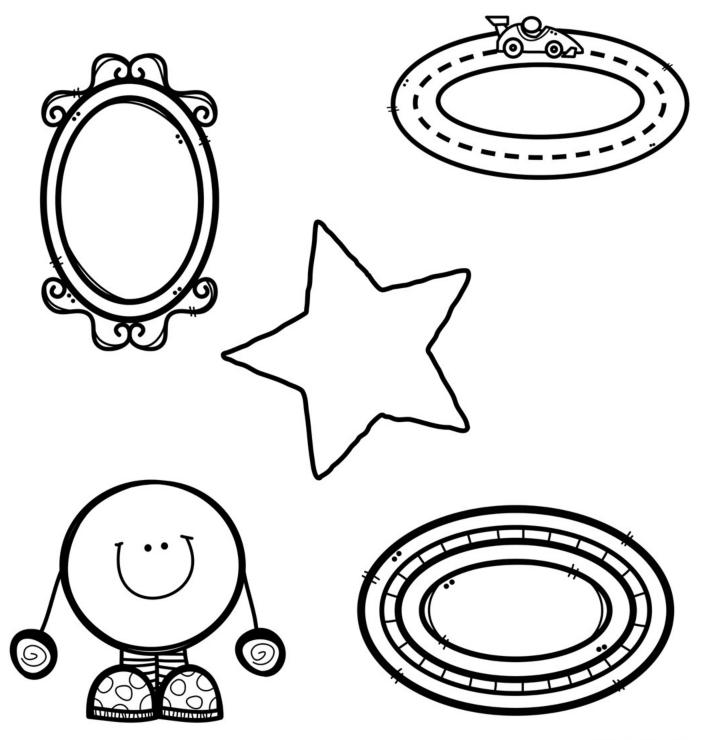
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Ovals

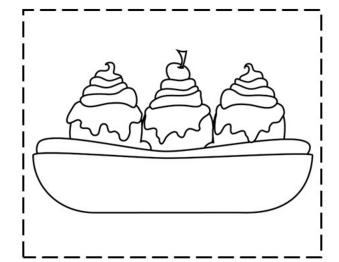
Color the objects that are shaped like ovals.



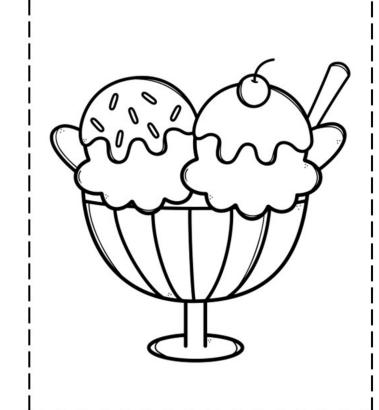
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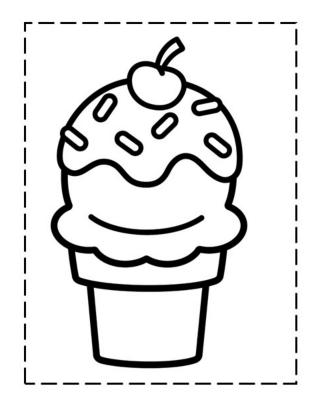
Color - Cut out on dotted line - Glue onto construction paper.











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Let's Make a 2

Start with a curve at the top
And loop down to the left,
With a straight horizonal line
at the bottom.
That's how it's done.

Now you made the number 2!

Learning the Number 2

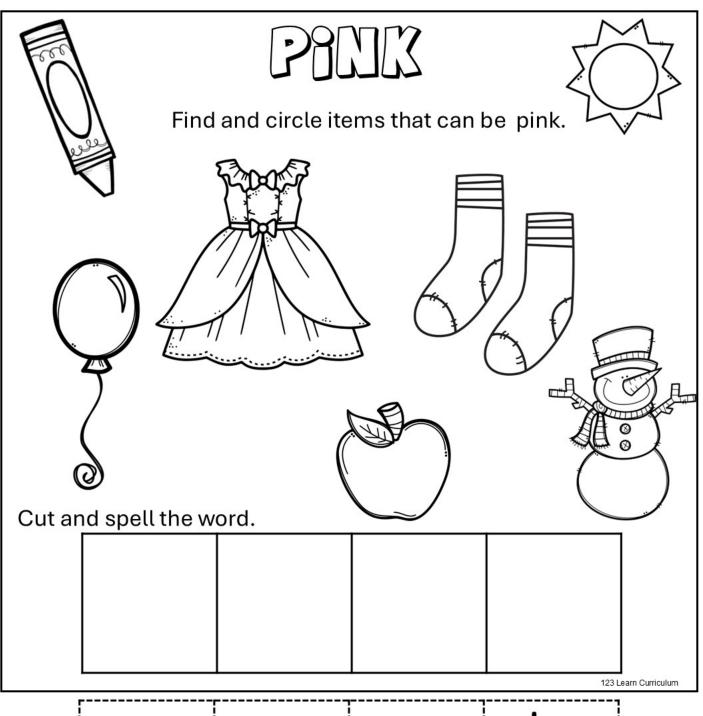


2 ice cream cones





We LOVE colors



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