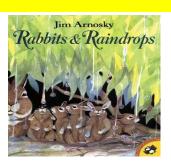


Raindrop Illustrations



Standards:ATL.IC.PS.1, 3, 5
CA.VA.PS.1, 3, 4, 5
PHD.FM.PS.6
S.ES.PS.2-3



Materials:

- Rabbit And Raindrops
- sheet protectors or sheets of laminating film
- contact paper
- small spray bottles
- markers
- smocks
- towels
- samples of children's Crayon Resist illustrations

Preparation: Set up materials.

Vocabulary:

- spray
- drip
- absorb
- waterproof
- raindrops

Intro to Centers:

"In Rabbits And Raindrops, the mother rabbit sheltered her babies from a rain shower under the hedge, because their fur was not **waterproof**—it could not keep out the rain. What do you notice?"

"The rain *dripped* off the rabbits' fur. Today in the Art Studio, you can create *raindrop* illustrations using these materials. What do you notice?"

"First, draw on the sheet protector/laminating film with a marker, then *spray* water on your drawing, making the water *drip* like *raindrops*. What do you *predict* will happen? Why?"

"The the sheet protector/ laminating film is **waterproof**-it doesn't **absorb** the water."

Show illustrations. Children respond.

Show samples of children's work. Children respond.

Show materials. Children respond.

Model.

Children respond.

During Centers:

Support children in experimenting with spraying more or less water. Encourage children to experiment with working on more/less of a vertical incline, and to notice how the water moves differently. Encourage children to use rain/water sound vocabulary, i.e., "drip," "splat," "plop," etc.

Guiding Questions during Centers:

- How is this technique similar to or different from crayon resist?
- What happens when you spray more or less water on your illustration?
- How is your raindrop illustration similar to or different from the rain illustrations in Rabbits And Raindrops and/or One Dark Night?
- What other water repellent materials are in our classroom/school? How do you know?

Thinking & Feedback: Invite children to share their processes. Encourage children to describe the challenges they might have encountered.

Documentation: Collect samples of the children's work as well as photographs and/or video of their process; use the documentation to launch a discussion during Thinking and Feedback.

Provocation:

Compare and contrast illustrations made on porous paper to illustrations created on sheet protectors/laminating film or other water repellent materials. Take raindrop illustrations outside to observe what happens if rain falls on them.

