

Fairy Tale Week Craft and Activities:

Crafts for Fairy Tale Week:

Paper Plate Shield Craft

Items Needed:

- Paper Plates
- Coloring Sheets (Dragons, Lions, etc. to be image on shield)
- Glue
- Crayons or Markers
- Duct or Masking Tape

Instructions:

1. Have the kids color the animal or image that they want to put on their shield. The image should be smaller than the paper plate so that it can sit roughly in the center of the plate.
2. Help the kids cut the image into the shape of a circle and glue it to the **BACK** of the plate.
3. Fold a strip of duct tape over so it forms a half inch wide strip (about 5-6 inches long). This will be the shield's handle. Tape the strip to the other side of the plate (the side you would normally eat from) so that the children can hold their shield.

King's Crown/Princess Hats

King's Crown:

Items Needed:

- Template from http://www.firstpalette.com/tool_box/printables/princesscrown.html
- Crayons or Markers
- Tape or Glue or Staples
- Stickers, glitter (optional)

Instructions:

1. Color and cut out crown pieces.
2. Glue or staple a template band on one edge of the crown. For smaller kids, the length of one band is enough for them to be able to wear the crown. Larger kids might need both bands. Measure the crown around the head, if it fits, glue or staple the end of the band on the opposite edge of the crown. Trim off excess bands and glue or staple together.
3. Decorate with stickers, glitter, etc.

Princess Hat:

Items Needed:

Pointed Party Hats
Ribbon
Stickers, glitter, etc.

Instructions:

1. If there is not already a small hole in the top of the party hat, cut one. Make sure it's only big enough to pull a piece of ribbon through.
2. Tie knots on one end of the ribbons. Pull the unknotted end through the underside of the hat so that it comes out the top. Repeat this step with as many ribbons as you want.
3. Decorate hat with stickers, glue, etc.

Magic Wand Craft:

Items Needed:

Popsicle Craft Sticks (Cardboard/paperboard strips are a great substitute!)
Star Template: (Included at end of this attachment)
Crayons or Markers
Stapler
Curling Ribbon
Glitter

Instructions:

1. Color and cut out stars. Each child should get two stars to color.
2. Assemble the wand: Start by taking one of the stars and putting it face side down. Then put the popsicle stick or cardboard strip. Next, curl two colors of ribbon and put them on top of the craft stick. Then place the other star on top, face side up. Staple all of this together (May also need glue if using popsicle sticks).
3. Add glitter to the stars so that the wand magically twinkles 😊.

Knight Paper Craft:

(Found at: <http://www.dltk-kids.com/fantasy/mpaperknight.htm>)

Items Needed:

Templates:

<http://www.dltk-kids.com/t.asp?b=m&t=http://www.dltk-kids.com/fantasy/images/bpaperknight1.gif>

<http://www.dltk-kids.com/t.asp?b=m&t=http://www.dltk-kids.com/fantasy/images/bpaperknight2.gif>

Scissors

Crayons or Markers

Glue

Instructions:

1. Color and cut out all pieces to the armor template.
2. Glue armor pieces to boy in following order:
 - a. pants
 - b. shoes
 - c. armor
 - d. belt
 - e. helmet
 - f. sword
 - g. shield

Jack and the Bean Plants:

Items Needed:

Plastic/Styrofoam cups

Potting Soil

Seeds

Markers/Crayons

Instructions:

1. Have the kids decorate their cups with markers or crayons.
2. Help the kids put soil and seeds in their cups as you tell them the story of Jack and the Beanstalk.
3. Help the kids water their seeds and tell them that they're going to grow into much smaller versions of Jack's beanstalk.

Games and Activities for Fairy Tale Week:

Rescue the Princess:

Instructions: Hide a doll somewhere in the room and have the kids split up into teams to look for it. This could easily be combined with a “clean-up” game. While they’re looking for the “princess,” they can clean up the other toys.

Finish the Story:

Instructions: Begin a story with the kids. Start by saying “Once Upon a Time there was a…” and let each child add a sentence or two to the fairy tale.

Kiss the Frog:

Instructions: It’s a take off on “Pin the Tail on the Donkey.” Print out or draw a picture of a frog, blindfold the children, and let them try to put little hearts on the frog’s lips.

Cinderella’s Shoe:

Instructions: This is an observation game. Have three children stand up and show their shoes to the other kids. Then have the children take their shoes off and have the other kids guess which shoe belongs to which child.

Imagination Game:

Instructions: Have the kids close their eyes and tell them that they’re going to play a game using their imaginations. They have to listen really closely because that’s part of the game. Then start telling a story about entering a forest or a castle, something found in a fairy tale. Add details as you go, such as, “As I was walking along, I saw an animal.” Then have all the kids tell you which animal they see. This is a fun game because you can be silly and creative and there are no wrong answers.

Jousting:

Use your best judgment on number and ages of kids. If there’s a large rowdy group of boys, this may or may not be the best game to play

Instructions: Get some of the inflatable sticks from the game closet. Have the kids take turns, two at a time, running towards each other trying to hit the other with his stick first. You can even read the kids a little about the history of jousting and other medieval sports:

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jousting>.

Build a Castle:

Instructions: Using boxes (old Subway boxes, supply boxes, etc.) have the older kids design and build a castle. The younger kids can help build. They can get creative with this and decorate the castle with paper and markers. If you don't have boxes or just don't want to use them, there is a template for a cool play castle found at: <http://www.dltk-kids.com/crafts/birthday/mcastle.html>

Jack, Be Nimble:

Instructions: This is sort of like "Limbo" in reverse. Have the children take turns jumping over a "candlestick" (a broom handle or whatever you would normally use as a limbo stick). After each child has a turn, raise the stick up and see who can jump the highest over the candlestick.

Star Template for Magic Wand Craft

