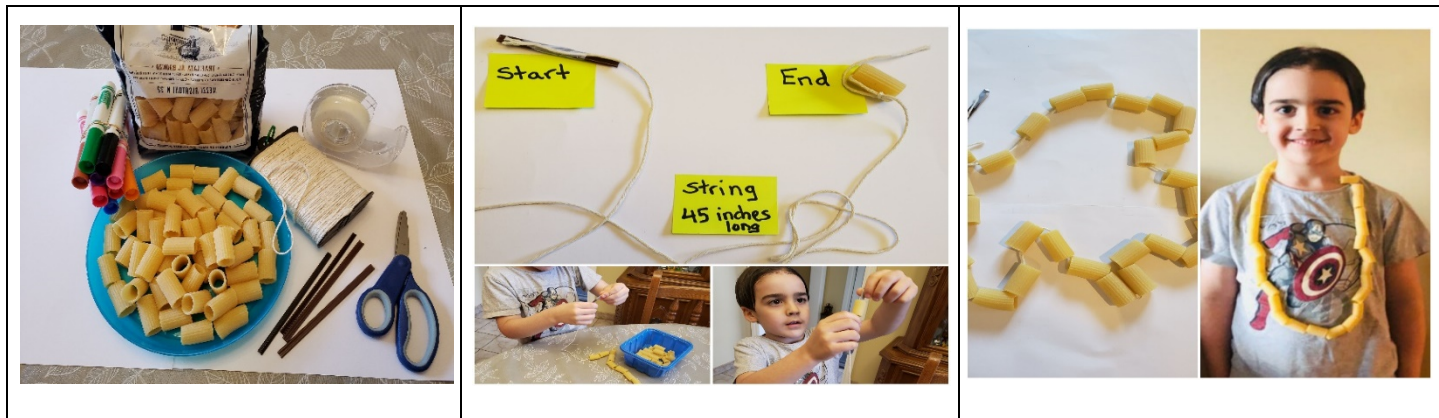


Title: Making a Pasta Necklace

Age Group: Preschooler

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Type of Activity: Physical/Cognitive

Materials:

- Pasta (with big hole as seen in first photo)
- Tape
- String (strong and thick)
- Scissors
- Markers (Optional)
- 1 Coffee stir stick (anything straight to support the string)

How to Do it:

- Cut a piece of string (35 to 45 inches long).
- Cut the coffee stir stick in half and use half to tape it on the beginning of the string for support. (as shown in second photo) This makes it easier for small hands to hold the string for beading the pasta through the string. (This part should be done by an adult)
- For the end part of the string, tie a pasta to the end so the pasta does not come through.
- Start putting string through the pasta one by one until it becomes full.
- Tie the 2 ends together so the pasta does not fall out.
- Your child may color the pasta pieces before putting the necklace on. (in this case, the child left it plain)
- Now your child or the adult may wear the pasta necklace.

Root Skill / Extension:

Physical - 5.3 Fine Motor: stringing large beads, This activity allows your child to use their fine motor skills like picking up the pasta and threading the string through the pasta hole.

Cognitive - 4.12 Counting: counting in meaningful ways in play and daily living, allow your child to count the pasta on their necklace once the necklace is completed. Open- ended questions: how many pasta pieces did you use? How many long pasta pieces did you use?

Extending the Learning: Try using a variety of pasta with big holes and different sizes of cut up pieces of small construction paper with a hole in the middle.

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