



Long Activity
Ages 0–3
40 minutes

I Spy Colours

Description

Find different colours in various places based on experience or knowledge! You can write the name of the item or draw it. Fill a line, several lines or a full card.

Number of Participants

For a minimum of 1 participant and their parent or caregiver

Space Considerations

An indoor space with room for children and their caregivers to do a paper and pencil activity

Competencies

- Development of fine motor skills
- Sensory motor skills
- Memory
- Study of nature
- Understanding and appreciation of animals

Materials

- I Spy card
- Pen or pencil
- Playdough (optional)
- Staff Recommended Titles booklist (optional)
- Book display (optional)
- Computer or mobile device (optional)

Preparation

- Set up research tools (optional)
 - Staff Recommended Titles booklist—create your own recommendation list
 - Book display—Set up books featuring places on the I Spy card on a table or truck for participants to reference
 - Electronic devices—set up computers or tablets with recommended websites

Implementation

1. Library staff give each participant an I Spy card and instructs them to fill out a line, several lines or a full card.
2. Parents and caregivers can work with the kids to “spy” items based on their memory or by using the books and reference resources provided by staff.
3. The spied item can be written by caregivers or draw by kids in the corresponding box.

Accessibility Considerations:

- Card can be printed on 8.5” x 14” paper with larger font
- Put playdough lines on the card to make it easier to find the boxes
- Choose or create images in advance and kids can place these on their game cards instead of writing or drawing spied items, making the activity more tactile

Book Suggestions

Gurple and Preen: A Broken Crayon Cosmic Adventure by Linda Sue Park

Hide-and-Seek: A First Book of Position Words by R.D. Ornot

David Jumps In by Alan Woo

Images and Templates

- 8.5” x 11” I Spy Card
- 8.5” x 14” I Spy Card

BLUE	RED	YELLOW	GREEN	ORANGE
Pool	Home	School	Garden	Grocery Store
Home	Grocery Store	Garden	Zoo	Library
Beach	Farm	Library	Grocery Store	Home
Grocery Store	Beach	Home	Park	Garden
School	Garden	Grocery Store	Farm	Zoo

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