



Home activities to do with your Toddler

Week 4: June 22 – June 26

- **Science activity:** Shaving Cream Rain Clouds.
- **Technology activity:** Paper cup phone.
- **Engineering Activity** – Foam blocks & shaving cream towers
- **Art activity:** Slide painting.
- **Math activity:** Sticky tape shapes

Special activities and STEAM



- Help your child develop an early understanding of how sounds go together to form words by playing sound and word games. These fun activities help toddlers see the connections between various sounds and the words they can make.

Language



- At home, hold a dish towel and say, “A dish towel is a rectangle and feels soft.” Encourage your child to explore these objects with their senses.
- Explore the colors together, this will build skills for future scientist!

Cognitive



- “Freeze” and “Hokey-Pokey” are fun musical games. They offer opportunities to listen and follow directions, while learning how to respond to their name and recognize parts of their own body.

Social-emotional



- Encourage your child to further develop their creativity while improving their fine motor skills by letting them create things using their hands.

Fine motor



- Teach your child an important life skill while enhancing their gross motor abilities to creatively solve problems.
- Create an indoor or outdoor obstacle course to enhance your child’s motor skills!

Gross motor



Lunes - Monday

Morning Meeting

- Talk about your weekend. What was your favorite part of the weekend?

Let's sing and move "Un pequeño dedo" / "One little finger"

PLAY SONG



Guide learning activity: Name building with blocks

For this activity, write your child's name on the blocks. For the base you may need to glue blocks together if their name is longer than 4 letters" The name is not shorter or longer than 4 blocks, it's shorter or longer than 4 letters.

The great thing about this toddler activity is that it's not limited to just teaching your child how to spell their names. Learning sight words is another great educational toddler learning activity to try.



Science activity: Shaving Cream Rain Clouds

You can make a sensory rain cloud experience for your kids at home with just shaving cream.

Here's what you need:

- A Glass or Jar
- Shaving Cream
- Water
- Food Coloring
- Dropper or Straw



Directions:

- › Fill your glass or jar 3/4 of the way full with water. Add shaving cream to the top. This is our fluffy cloud.
- › Mix a little blue food coloring with some water.
- › Have your child add drops of the blue water to the cloud. As the water gets heavier and heavier it will start to fall out of the cloud and make rain!

This is what happens with real clouds. The water droplets get heavier and heavier until they fall down as rain.

This activity works fine motor skills as your child manipulates the dropper or straw to add the droplets. You can also enjoy the sensory fun of playing with the clouds too.

Martes -Tuesday

Morning Meeting:

Sing about STEAM! Songs with repeated phrases like “Old MacDonald Had a Farm,” “Wheels on the Bus,” or “Five little Monkeys” can teach children about patterns.

PLAY SONG



Engineering activity — Foam blocks & shaving cream towers

Here’s what you need:

- Foam blocks.
- Shaving cream.
- Plastic tray.

Start by putting foam blocks on the tray and spraying some shaving cream in a corner.

Ask your engineer in training if they think shaving cream makes good glue for towers. Don’t show them, just ask and see what happens with this STEAM activity.



Gross motor activity: Movement song

Let’s sing and move: “Caminando, caminando” – “Walking, walking”

With this song, your child can jump, bounce and skip and hop to their hearts delight!

When kids move to music, they are getting so much more than just exercise. They are also developing their coordination, balance, concentration and cognitive abilities.



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Making the most of routines: Bedtime

If books are part of your bedtime routine, tonight swap places with your child! Invite them to read a book with you, using the pictures to guide their story.



Miércoles-Wednesday

Morning Meeting

Let's sing and move: "dibujar y pintar" – "Draw and paint"

PLAY SONG



Guided learning: Prewriting



Let's get your kids moving to learn!

This activity has so many important key concepts:

- Primary colors
- Left to right progression
- Connecting the body to prewriting movements

Make a robot snack!

You need: pretzel sticks, large marshmallows, small marshmallows.

Your child will enjoy this challenge; using pretzel sticks and different sized marshmallows to create any kind of robot they like! As you can see, no two were alike...and these are just a few of the many robots created!



Art activity: Slide painting



Here's what you need:

- A Slide
- Cars
- A Plastic Tub
- A roll of butcher paper
- Plastic table cover (to put underneath the slide)
- Painting Smock
- Washable Paint

Directions:

1. Put down your table cover and place the plastic tub at the bottom of the slide. Use the painter's tape to attach the paper roll to the top of the slide.
2. Squirt some washable paint at the top of the slide.
3. Get your cars ready to slide!

Making the most of routines: Outdoors

If the weather is nice, nearly everything that you do indoors can be done outdoors! Consider going outdoors for some of your experiences during the day. You can read a book, play with art materials, take blocks to build, or take real or homemade instruments outdoors.

Sometimes a change of scenery inspires new ways to explore!

Jueves-Thursday

Morning Meeting

Let's Sing and move: "Si las gotas de lluvia"
You will have a lot of fun singing this Spanish rain song.

Perfect for this Spring showers!

PLAY SONG



Dramatic play: Construction towers.

Give your littles a challenge with tape towers! Add painter's tape to the wall and ask your child if they can build a tower as high as each piece of tape.



Inviting your child to build a tower as "tall" as each strip of tape presents a challenge and adds excitement to building with blocks.

Engineering activity: Color sort and stack

Fruit loops are a great learning engineering!
For this activity, prepare with a playdough and kabob skewers to create an opportunity for your child to practice sorting and graphing.



Making the most of routines: Sing

Sing during everyday activities like driving in the car, or during bath time. It can be repetitive and simple, like "Wash your toes, wash your nose!"



Singing songs that have basic counting or rhyming patterns also helps children learn basic math skills. "One, two, buckle my shoe. Three, four, open the door."

Viernes-Friday

Morning Meeting:

Let's Sing and Move: Buenos días / Good morning.

PLAY SONG



Math activity: Sticky tape shapes



Here's what you need:

- Masking tape
- Foam shapes

Easy Activity Set Up

- › To set this fun and easy shape recognition activity up all you'll need is masking tape and foam shapes.
- › Tear off a few pieces of masking tape and tape them with the sticky side facing up.
- › Then use another piece of masking tape to secure these pieces on the floor.
- › Make a few lines of tape facing up and then make a square. Additionally, you can create a triangle and rectangle.

Technology activity: Paper cup phone

Here's what you need:

- 2 paper cups
- 20 feet of string (We used yarn.)
- Sharpened Pencil
- 2 Paper clips (optional)

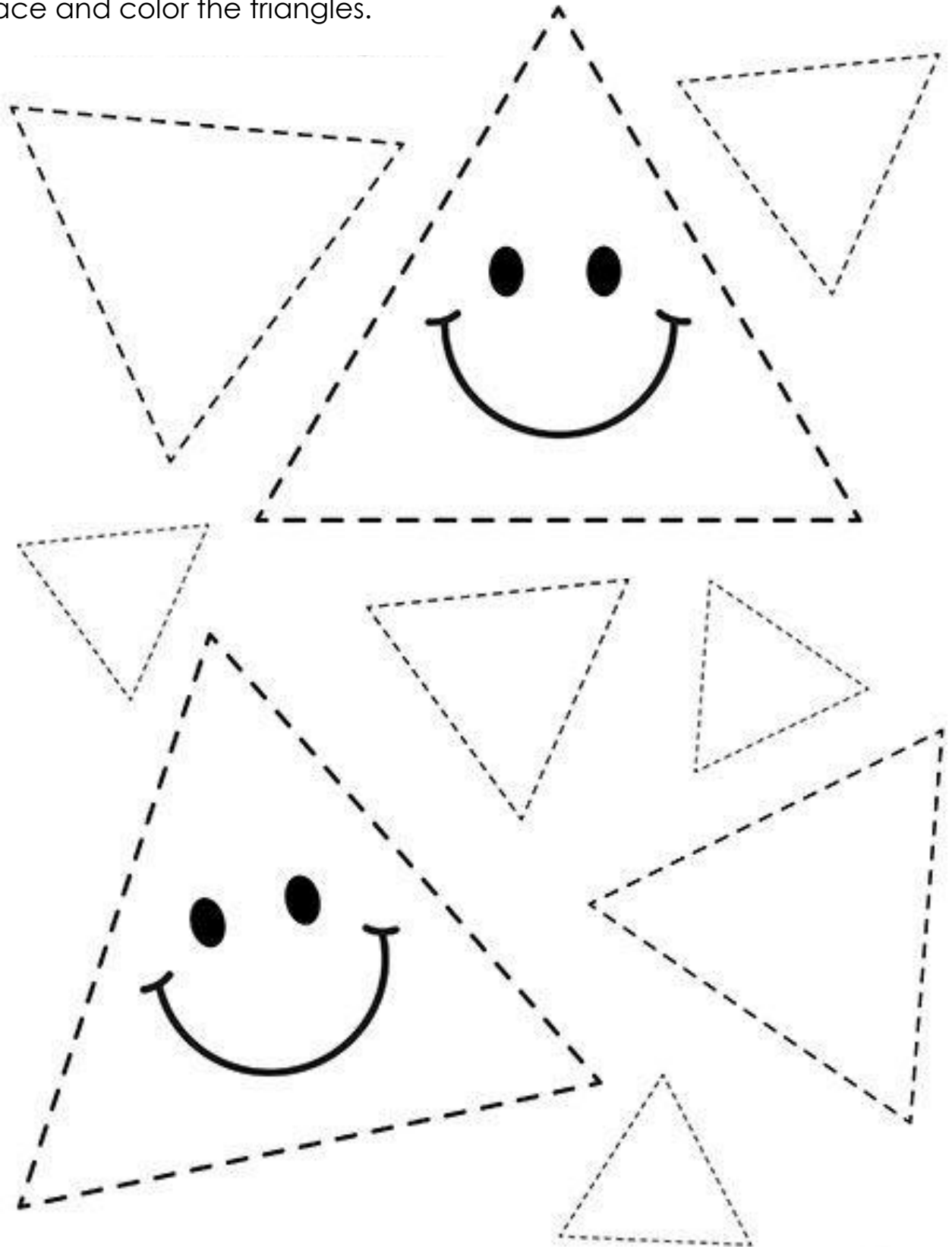
Directions:

- › To make your own cup phones, use the tip of a pencil to poke a small hole at the bottom of each of your two cups.
- › Next, thread the string through the hole of one cup. We just tied a knot in the yarn on the inside of the cup to keep it in place. If the string keeps slipping through the hole you can tie it to a paper clip to help keep it in place.
- › Pull the string through the bottom of your second cup, securing it with an knot on the inside, too. (See photo above.)
- › To use your cup phones the string must be kept taut. When one person whispers in their cup, the other should be able to hear their voice through their own cup.



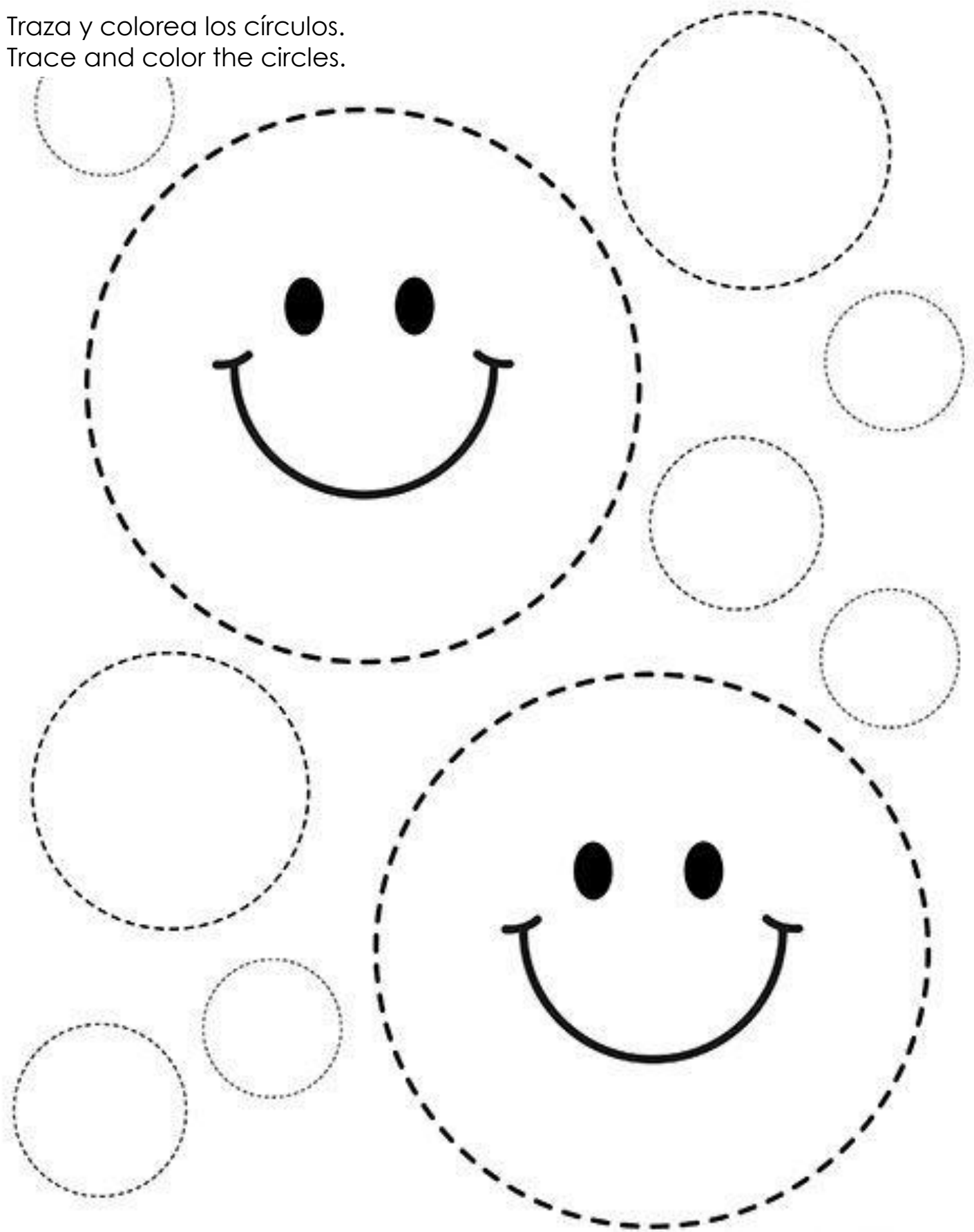
Triángulo / Triangle

Traza y colorea los triángulos.
Trace and color the triangles.



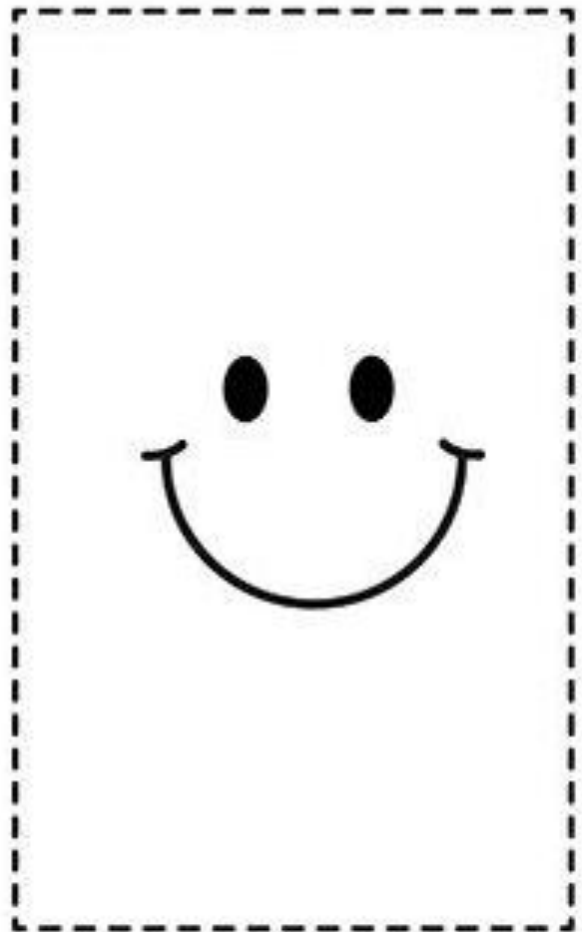
Círculo / Circle

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Trace and color the circles.



Rectángulo / Rectangle

Traza y colorea los rectángulos
Trace and color the rectangles.



Rectángulo / Rectangle

Traza y colorea los cuadrados.
Trace and color the squares.

