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Recycled Art

Recycled Art: Create a shoe that you can wear.



- Measure your foot size to be your base of the shoe.
- Cardboard
- Hot glue gun and glue
- Scissors, tape, string, pencil.

Lego Challenge

Cable Car:
Build a cable car that works!



Chalk Mural

Create an obstacle course



Electronics

Paper Circuits Cards

- Make simple or complex electrical circuits on a flat piece of paper! Using copper tape and surface mount LEDs allows you to make a fully functional circuit on a flat surface, like a piece of paper. You can make light up greeting cards, make origami animals come to life, or create three-dimensional pop-up paper sculpture that have working lights in them.
- The basic circuit is very simple, and yet allows for a wide range of explorations and aesthetic expression.
- With a little more effort, you can add switches, which can be as simple as a piece of aluminum foil, to add a dynamic element to your creation. The window on the little house above lights up when you close the door.
- Or you can keep the circuit really simple and let your creativity shine in other ways, like making this beautiful cupcake with light-up sprinkles...

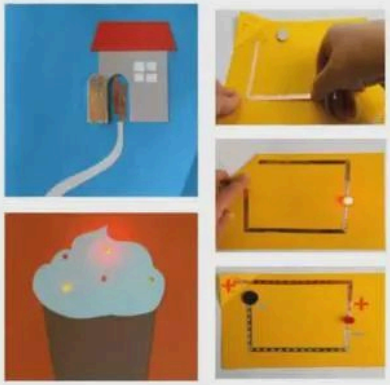
Electronics Continued

Supplies:

- Copper tape - 5mm copper tape
- Gumdrop LEDs
- Coin cell batteries

Getting Started

- LEDs have two legs of unequal length: the longer leg is the positive (+) side of the LED, and the shorter leg is the negative (–) side.
- Fold over one corner of the paper and trace the battery on either side of the fold. Try making two strips of copper tape with each piece starting from one of the circles and ending about a half inch apart.
- Tape down one LED with the legs touching on the copper. Connect the "+" side of the battery to the "+" leg of the LED, and "–" side of the battery to the "–" leg of the LED.
- Fold the corner to see the LED lights up. If it doesn't light up, try flipping the battery to make sure the positive side of the battery connects to the positive leg of the LED.
- With these starting steps, the possibilities for creating your paper circuits are endless. You can fold the copper tape into different designs or make a collage that is lit by a hidden circuit on another piece of paper underneath.



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Scavenger Hunt

Agents Around the World:



- Agents Badge
- New Identity
- Agent clues, answer key
- Scissors, ink pad, safety pin

Instructions:

- Part of being a top secret spy is to be able to assume a new identity in a short period of time. This game will prepare the secret agents to become top notch spies with their new presumed identities.
- Give the children a badge with their new identity slip (cut out a slip per each child)
- Instruct the children to fill out their new identity card and stamp in their fingerprints. Safety pin onto shirt
- Have the children read over and memorize their new given identities for about 5 minutes. After 5 minutes is up, stick the identity cards on the back of the child. Have all the spies walk around and quiz each other to see who can remember the most facts about themselves. Whoever has the most correct answers, is the winner.
- Once campers have their agent names and badge, give them the three clues to complete.

Clue Answers:

- Clue #1: "Hey campers, get ready for the best summer ever!"
- Clue #2: "We are going to have so many exciting clues and activities.
- Clue #3: "Now give yourself a pat on the back for being awesome at solving this clue out."

Buddy Games

Secret Admirer Activity:

- Place all names in a box. Have each camper choose one. The name of the paper becomes your secret admirer for the day (or the week). Counselors play as well!
- The goal is to do acts of kindness to the secret admirer for the day. It can start out as a secret and then then continue once you know who is each others secret admirer.
- There should not be any food/prizes/gifts involved in this activity.

Activities:

- Complete the Heart Secret Admirer Activity - write what you admire about your friend.
- Compliment your secret admirer throughout the day
- Complete the 'Who Am I' worksheet to announce to your secret admirer who you are.



Additional Games

Musical Chairs

- Set up chairs in a row, one for every child playing, every other chair should be in the same direction. Play some music and when the music stops everyone has to find and sit down on a chair. Every time the music stops, you take out one chair. Whoever doesn't have a chair is out.

Headbands

- Each girl wears a headband and they need to ask yes or no questions and treating each other's each kid's headband indicates...ever once must figure out who they are and find their partner

Gotcha

- Kids pick name out of bag have to find themselves alone in room with that person and yell "gotcha" then that person is out and gives kid their name to go get. Last 2 people will end up with each other. Whomever says gotcha first wins.

Laughing tissue

- The leader holds a tissue in the air. As soon as she drops it everyone must start laughing. The instant the tissue touches the floor, everyone must be silent and keep a straight face. Anyone left laughing or smiling is out. Keep doing that until there is 1 girl left. The winner is the last one left.

Twenty Questions

- One girl is sent out. The group chooses an object (person, place, thing). The girl comes back in and has twenty questions to ask. The answers can only be yes or no.

Smile Throwing

- One girl must smile and then pull the smile off her face and throw it at someone else. Nobody else in the circle is allowed to smile or else they are out.

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Art Project #1



Create your own foam board:

- Cut the fabric to fit the board.
- Using a hot glue gun, glue the fabric to the board.
- Place ribbons in a diagonal design (not too close to each other).
- Using a hot glue gun, glue the ribbons where they meet - but the rest of the space should not be glued to allow papers to be place in.
- Glue gems onto the ribbon corners- where each corner meets.

Art Project #2









World Craft:

- Round Wooden Board
- Ziploc Bags
- Blue/Green Crayon
- Hammer
- Paint
- Paintbrushes
- World Template

Instructions:

- Copy the world template using a pencil, on the round wooden board.
- Then, have the kids paint green/blue in the land/water area
- Hammer down a blue/green crayon for a 3d effect - and have the kids glue it onto their world
- Hot glue the world onto the base so it doesn't come apart.
- Each child receives one tag (tie it to the top of the base and let it hang in front of the world. wWrite with a chalkboard marker 'Dear Mom and Dad' (however they call their parents) My world is special because you are in it.' Sign with the campers' name.

Art Project #3

Clay Bakery

- Have each camper make 1-2 bakery goods.
- Form them out of clay. Then decorate and paint to make it look like a real piece of cake.
- Allow to dry.







Art Project #4



Galaxy Snow Globes

- snow globe
- water
- food coloring
- silver glitter
- silver star confetti
- baby oil

Instructions:

- Add some food coloring to water to get desired color.
- Fill the snow globe half way with baby oil.
- Add some glitter and stars (Don't go too crazy.)
- Fill the globe the rest of the way with colored water.
- Leave room to close lid.
- Swirl, star gaze, dream of far away places, gift

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Spy Time

Build your own Keyhole Spy Tool:
This little contraption is an adaptation of a keyhole spy tool. Real spies used it in the past to look through keyholes. Well, anyone can look 'through a keyhole' of course (duh!), but this one actually gave an opportunity to get a fisheye view of the room. This is not enough to recognize who or what is in the room, but this nifty little tool could be poked into the key-hole, and be used to see if there is any movement in the room.

Supplies:

- A clear glass marble (the smaller the better)
- A sheet of thick, black paper
- Some sticky tape
- Scissors

Instructions:

- With the scissors, cut the thick black paper to size (approx. 8 times as long as the diameter of the marble, and 5 times as wide).
- Put the marble in the middle, and roll the paper tightly around it. Stick it with the sticky tape. Then blow, or poke the marble to one end until it's just sticking out. Half of the marble will still be inside, and half of it will peek outside...

Now, I don't know if your marble is small enough to be able to put through a keyhole, but if you look through the side that has no marble, you can see how you can look around the room.
The only trick is, that the entire picture is upside down! This is because the marble will reverse any light that falls through it. It's just a simple tool. But believe me, very effective!



Around The World Carnival

Booths:

- **Hawaii:**
  - Sandart. Color salt with large chalk to get ready set.
  - Necklace: String cheerios
- **Russia:**
  - Russian Matrushka set. Have the kids color and cut out their own design.
  - Make a shaving picture: Mix shaving cream and glue. paint a picture on black construction paper.
- **America:** Amer[illegible] Flag Popsicle Stick Craft (paint popsicle sticks and glue together.) Add star stickers.
- **China:**
  - Have campers decorate a Chinese fan.
  - Fortune cookies: make a basic cookie dough recipe. Make a circle. Fold in half and bend your cookie.
- **Israel:** Take a tour of the Beis Hamikdash - have the video keep playing on a laptop or large screen - kids can walk around and watch at their leisure.
- **Mexico:**
  - Pinata Making
  - Pesos Toss. Line five sombreros in a vertical line with increasing point values the farther back they go (like 10, 20, 30, 40, 50). Give players a certain number of Mexican pesos or pennies (5-10). One at a time, have them stand behind a drawn line a few feet from the lowest-valued sombrero. Then they can toss their pesos into the sombreros to see who scores the most points! And yes, the coin must land *inside* the rim of the hat to count.
- **Africa:**
  - Jungle Animal Cookies
  - Drum Circle - set up an area and have one counselor lead different beats.
- **Italy:**
  - Pasta Jewelry (paint pasta in advance, campers should string it.
  - Pizza Making
- **England:** Tea/Story: Say a story while kids drink iced tea and eat tea biscuits.









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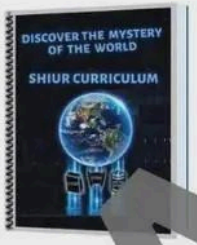
Mystery of the World Curriculum



Program Guide Includes:

- 8 weekly themes: *Mystery of the World, Mystery of Mitzvos, Mystery of Shul, Mystery of our Home, Mystery of Moshiach, Mystery of Friendship, Mystery of Ourselves, Mystery of Torah.*
- Each week includes 14 of the following activities:
  - *Electronics, STEM, Spy Time, Bunk Game, Outdoor Game, Mad Science, Scavenger Hunt, Themed Carnival, Jewelry Making, Lego Challenge, Fruit or Vegetable Edible Crafts, Additional Games*
- 4 art projects per week
  - Themed Judaic art projects
  - Links for specialized supplies
- Color War Ideas
- 9 Days - Water Activities
- Theme Song
- Bunk Names



Shiur Curriculum

- **Additional $180 Fee**
- Includes 38 lessons that connect to the weekly theme.
- Each day will include a thought on Torah, Avodah and Gemilus Chasadim. The goal is for the children to understand that in order for the world to exist, all 3 are needed.
- This curriculum is geared to frum children - grades 4-8. It is not a basic level of Yiddishkeit knowledge.



Camp Calendar Design

- **Additional $130 Fee**
- Using this same themed calendar (background/weekly themes, logo) you will receive a calendar customized to your camp needs.
- 1 week turnaround. Includes 1 set of changes. Each additional set of changes will cost a 1 hour minimum fee at $60.



Album and 36 Mitzvah Cards Set

- $8 each - sold as set of 25 = $200.
- Double sided Mitzva cards - each Mitzvah card has a description on the back

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Edible Crafts

Orange Fruit Basket



Mad Science

Exploding Jupiter:



- Baking Soda
- Liquid Watercolors
- Water
- Vinegar
- Pipette

Instructions:

- Make baking soda paste to create mini "explodable" Jupiter's. For each color, mix a cup of baking soda with about 1/4 cup water. Add liquid watercolors to the other two. The paste should be thick enough to be patted together into shapes. If yours is too runny, add a little more baking soda. If it's too crumbly to hold together, add a little more water.
- To make Jupiter, grab bits of all three colors and mixed them together into a small ball.
- After you have your Jupiter's done, it is time for some fizzing planet fun! It's fun to watch the planets bubble and dissolve.

Jewelry Making

DIY Washer Necklace:



- Washers
- Nail polish
- Necklace string
- Frosted or glass beads (use one)
- Sewing needles

Instructions:

- Start by painting the washers. You almost have to pour it on (but don't) and then spread it out with the brush. Only paint the top and try not to let it run off the sides.
- After the washers are dry, it's time to string and bead them. This is where you can get really creative. The possibilities are endless!

STEM

The Solo Cup Engineering Challenge:

- 6 Solo Cups
- 1 rubber band
- 4 pieces of string
- 1 timer for the group

Instructions:

- The One Rule of the Challenge: Participants cannot touch the cups with their hands or any other part of their body.
- Create a grappler tool with the string and rubber band so the cups could move.
- Place the cups in three stacks (figure 1).
- Move the cups by using the grappler tool into a six pyramid shape (figure 2).
- Repeat the activity. During the second time, the counselor can keep track of completion times for each team.
- Use reflection questions to wrap up the activity.
  - How well did your team work together to move the cups?
  - At what point in the activity did you feel like everyone was working together?
  - Describe a moment when your team became frustrated. How did you work through this?





Outdoor Activity

Paperclip Challenge:

How many paperclips does it take to measure:

- Yourself _____
- Your counselor _____
- The pool gate _____
- The trampoline _____
- A water bottle _____
- A car _____
- The bush outside _____
- The front path _____
- The garden outside _____

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