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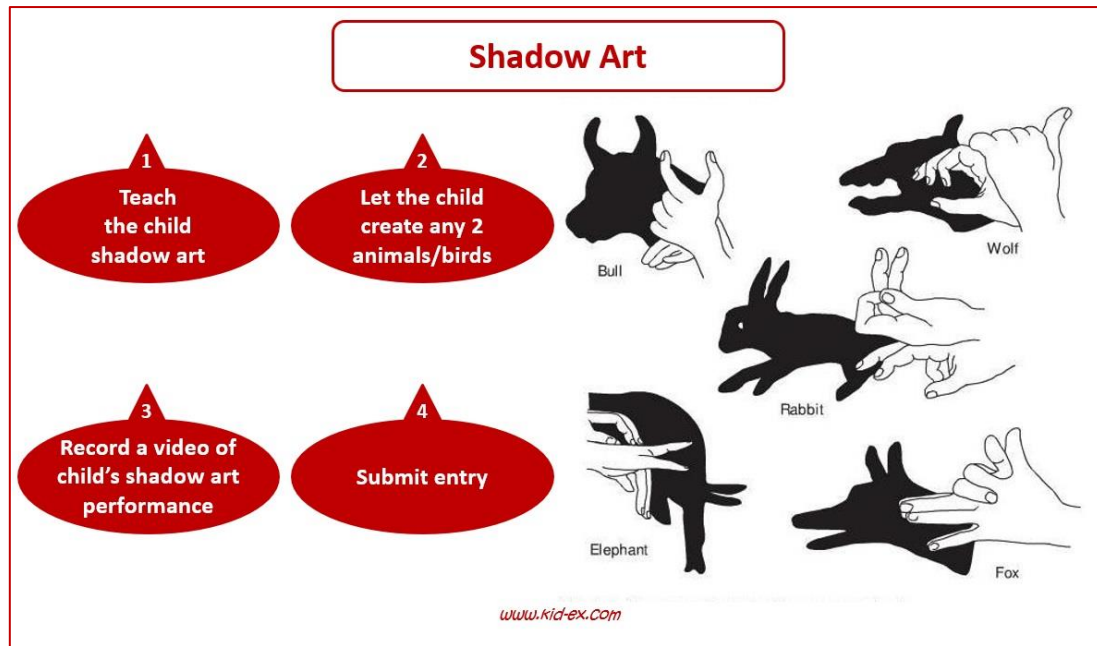
National All Rounder Championship

1 December 2020- 28 February 2021

Self-Learning Manual: Activity 21
Creativity and Imagination:
Shadow Art
Age: 4 years

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Activity description

For the given activity, the child is required to create any 2 animals or birds using his/her hands and casting a shadow on any surface (e.g. wall). Sample videos teaching the art form can be found in “Useful Web Resources” section.

To do this activity, the child would need to understand the concept of shadow observation. The child would need a surface (wall) on which the child may create the desired shadow & would need a source of light (candle, torch etc.). The child can create any one animal or bird (e.g. Dog, Duck, Reindeer, Elephant, Crocodile, Swan, Goose, Goat, Turtle, Cow, Chicken, Snail, Crab, Panther, Rooster, Rabbit, Camel, Peacock, Horse, Orangutan, Wolf, Spider etc.)

Allow the child to practice the activity again and again. The child will soon get comfortable to the activity and will feel confident. Record a video of the child creating shadow art & submit.

Assessment guidelines

The total non-bonus points for this activity is 30. Every submission would be rated as either of below.

M = Master
(100%)

The child can create 2 animals/birds shadow art correctly using his/her hands/fingers only (without using any external object)

The child can create 1 animal/bird shadow art correctly using his/her hands/fingers only (without using any external object)

I = Intermediate
(80%)

B = Beginner
(50%)

The child can create 1 animal/bird shadow art partially correct using his/her hands/fingers only (without using any external object)

For participating in the event & making an event relevant submission which does not meet assessment guidelines for M, I or B.

A = Aspirant
(25%)

NA (Not applicable)

No submissions or any submission which is irrelevant for the activity.

50% bonus marks: If the child securing an M can create 3 unique animals/birds

Expert coach speaks

Creativity does not require a ton of art supplies. In fact, some days, all you need is the sun, a shadow, and a way of capturing that shadow. Shadow art is a fun STEAM activity that is sure to inspire your little ones.

Shadow art is also, an art form which is less subjective because it is based more on science.

With light and shadow, you either have it right or wrong. There is usually no in-between. This is handy for artists as so many other aspects are subjective by nature, like colour and composition.



Key benefits of this activity

The activity benefits in many ways:

- Develops fine motor skills
- Triggers observation skills
- Encourages interest in science & physics
- Instils creativity & experimentation
- Teaches spatial thinking
- Initiates interest in mathematics & geometry

Common mistakes to avoid

- *Unable to visualize an animal as shadow art*
- *Unable to create shapes/forms using hands/fingers to create the art*
- *Erroneous application of concept of shadow formation*
- *Not able to record video performance as proximity of body to shadow/light*

Useful web resources

- [What is a shadow?](#)
- [Making animal puppets tutorial](#)
- [Basic video tutorial to make shadow art](#)
- [Sample video 1: Animals/birds](#)
- [Sample video 2: Animals / birds](#)
- [Sample video 3: Animals/birds](#)
- [Shadow art global performing artist](#)
- [Shadow art 1 Indian performing artist](#)
- [Shadow art 2 Indian performing artist](#)

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