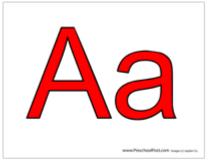
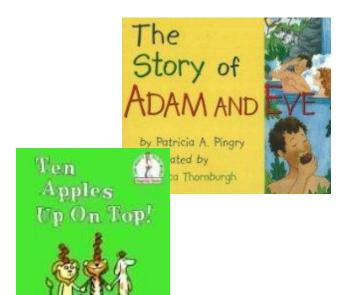


Preschool Post Lesson 2









Letter: A

Preschool Theme: Apples, Counting

Bible Theme: What an important lesson to start off the year! Children need to learn why it was necessary for God to come to the Earth, and how we cannot be saved by any other way! Teach the story of Adam and Eve, and let them know that Jesus is our Savior.

Morning Circle:

Review the "A" letter bag and the sounds "A" can make. Ask the children to look around the room for other things that begin with the "A" sound. Practice counting to 10 using this counting rhyme: "10 apples way up high. I shook the tree and watched them fly. I grabbed them all and piled them tall, then took them home and made a pie! 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10...YUM, YUM!!!!!"

Show the children a red apple. Ask the children what color their favorite apples are. Ask the children to point out red things they see in the circle area.

Read: Ten Apples Up on Top, by Dr. Seuss.

Give children bean bags and tell them to pretend the bags are apples. Let children walk around trying to balance one, two, three, or more on top of their heads.

Music & Movement:

Play "Bean Bag Boogie" from "Kids in Motion" cd by Greg & Steve.

Snack: 10 apple wedges.

Centers:

- 1. <u>Counters and lottos.</u> Use our <u>printable apples</u> for children to practice their counting skills. Write the number on the tree for children to match the correct amount of apples to!
- 2. Red food coloring blots. Take a large sheet of butcher paper and spread it out on a long table. Make sure the children's clothing is protected. Let them drop the red food dye from medicine droppers onto the paper. Discuss shapes and patterns that form.
- 3. <u>Farm sets and tractors.</u> Set up a table full of different farm animals,

farming equipment, and little people for them to pretend to have an apple farm.

Art Activity: Paper plate apples. Give each child a small white paper plate. Let them color one side red. Provide green paper "leaves" and a brown paper "stem," and let the children glue or tape them to the top. Fold a long skinny piece of brown or green paper accordian-style, and glue onto red side of the "apple" for the worm. Let the children glue small



black beans onto the white side of the plate for apple seeds. Hang from the ceiling when dry.

Bible Storytime:

Read: The Story of Adam and Eve, by Patricia A. Pingry. Briefly discuss how God's love for us paved the way for Jesus to come and restore what we lost in the Garden.

Bible Verse Bracelets:

"While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8-9
Briefly explain to help children understand that Jesus took upon
Himself the punishment for our sins and those of Adam and Eve.

Bible Song:

"Isaiah 53:6" from "Baa Baa Doo Baa Baa: The Memory Verses," by Colin Buchanan.

Optional Resources:

Handwriting Sheet A is for Apple

| Bible Handwriting Sheet A is for Adam |
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| Apple Matching Game |
| Apple File Folder Game |
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| Helpful Links: |
| Apple File Folder Games |
| Apple Crafts on Totally Tots |
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