Season 4, Episode 2: Tropical Day





Learn about coral reef fish, make a paper basket and a bunraku puppet. Welcome to CAMP TV – a half-hour day camp experience in your living room! New head counselor Zing Ashford guides "campers" as they learn through play. Content partners include Go with YOYO, Christal Holmes, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Mister C, New Victory Theater, Rhode Island PBS, San Diego Zoo, and Story Pirates.

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Basket Weaving

Materials List:

- 2 empty lightweight cardboard boxes, like cereal or cracker boxes
- ruler
- glue or tape
- safety scissors

This activity should be done with the help of a trusted adult

Instructions:

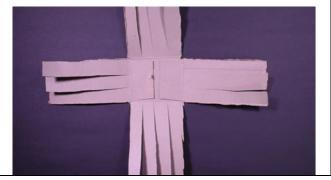
1. Place one cereal box on a table with the bottom of the box resting on the table. Cut the flaps off the top of the box. Ask an adult to help cut the box, if needed.



2. Cut down each side of the box to flatten it, so that it looks like a plus (+) sign.



3. Measure and cut half-inch strips on all four sides of the box. Be sure not to cut all the way through and leave a base.

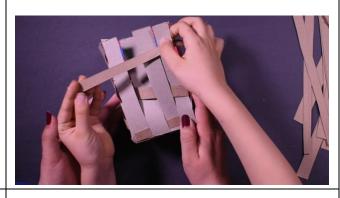


4. Cut out one side of another box. Ask an adult for help, if needed. 5. Use a ruler and a pencil to make lines lengthwise, each a half an inch apart. 6. Cut along the lines to make long, skinny strips. 7. Take one of the strips you just cut. Glue or tape the tip of the strip on top of one of the pieces of the first box (that now looks like a plus sign) to secure the long, skinny strip in place. 8. Weave the strip under the first flap horizontally, then over the second.

9. Turn the box over and fold the flaps up.



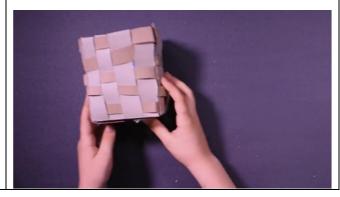
10. Glue or tape down a new strip to continue weaving. Weave the long skinny strips in an over under pattern around the four sides of the box. Keep weaving until you get to the top of the box. (Note: If you don't have enough strips to get to the top of the box, cut more strips.)



11. Fold the top of the flaps down and glue or tape to the inside of the basket.



12. Store something special in your new basket!



Activity courtesy of The Metropolitan Museum of Art



Zing's Tropical Smoothie

Materials List:

- measuring cup
- blender
- 1 ripe banana
- 2 cups of frozen mango chunks
- ½ cup of pineapple juice
- ½ cup of orange juice
- 12 ounces of vanilla yogurt
- glass (to drink the smoothie)
- orange slice, straw, and small paper umbrella (optional)

*If you don't have the fruits and juices listed above, use other fruits, vegetables, and juices instead. Have fun experimenting with different combinations. *

Instructions:

1. Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds before and after handling food.



2. Cut up one banana and add it to the blender.



3. Measure and add 2 cups of frozen mango chunks.



4. Measure and add ½ cup of pineapple juice and ½ cup of orange juice.



5. Measure and add 12 ounces of vanilla yogurt.



6. With the help of an adult, put the lid tightly on the blender and blend all the ingredients until they are smooth!



7. Pour your smoothie into a glass.
Drink and enjoy!
Optional: Add a slice of orange, straw and/or paper umbrella for decoration.





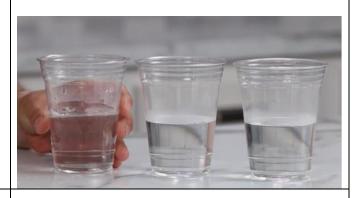
Sugar Stack

Materials List:

- 4 cups
- 24 ounces of warm water
- measuring cup for liquids
- measuring spoon
- food coloring (3 different colors)
- 14 tablespoons of sugar
- eyedropper or spoon
- paper
- pen
- tape

Instructions:

1. Write the numbers 1-4 on a piece of paper. Cut out the numbers and tape one number to each cup. Put cups 1-3 in front of you. Measure and add 8 ounces of warm water to each cup.



2. Add food coloring to each cupputting a different color in each one.



3. Using your measuring spoon, add 2 tablespoons of sugar to cup 1. Then, add 4 tablespoons to cup 2, and 8 tablespoons to cup 3.



4. Stir each cup until you can't see the sugar anymore.



5. Use an eyedropper or a spoon to remove some liquid from cup 1 and put it in cup 4. Remove the same amount of liquid from cup 2 and add it to cup 4. Repeat by moving the same amount of liquid from cup 3 to cup 4.



6. Observe the results! Since there was the same amount of water in cups 1-3, the solution with the most sugar is the most dense and that's why it sinks to the bottom. The solution with the least sugar is the least dense, so it rises to the top.



Activity courtesy of Mister C