

Eating Between The Lines



EBTL Module 02 - Activity 04

Activity: Salad Collage

Outcomes

Children will understand what a salad is.
Children will understand what foods create salads.

Teacher Information

Big books are a great resource to use in the classroom as a read aloud. See the Reading section for information about read alouds.

You Will Need

- Large sheets of coloured paper ripped into a variety of small pieces (do this randomly and try to have a good selection of colours and sizes)
- Pieces of coloured paper shaped like a bowl (see template)
- A variety of dried pasta shapes
- Cardstock
- Big book format of *Eating the Alphabet* by Lois Ehlert
ISBN: 9780152056889 0152056882
- Computer with Microsoft PowerPoint application
- Scanner

Procedure

1. Read and discuss the book. Take special notice of the illustrations, asking children if they like them, why or why not, how do they think the author/illustrator created them, the colours used, the apparent textures, etc.
2. Inform the children that we will be creating our very own class salad book and making our illustrations the same way as Lois Ehlert.
3. Have children each glue a "bowl" onto the cardstock and then start creating their very own salad using the ripped up coloured pieces of paper.
4. The children can use text to tell us about their creation. They could be prompted with questions such as: (a) "Tell me about your salad", (b) "What does it have in it?", and (c) "How many of this and that?" This information can be typed in if you prefer.
5. Scan their pictures into a PowerPoint presentation to look like a book. Include a picture and name of each child on the facing page.
6. After everyone has had a chance to add their page, share the book using a projector. They will love it!

Teacher Tips

The scanning could be done in cooperation with the children, talking about the process and having them involved in the process of course, you don't have to use any technology here at all -- you could create a book the old fashioned way!