



Spring Wands

For grades PreK-1

Explore: Have you had enough of winter and just can not wait for spring? Watch the video of how Spring Defeats Winter. Children can then make Spring Wands to help make winter turn into spring. Children will need to search for a stick to make the base of their wand plus any natural treasures for embellishments. These could be evergreen needles, leaves, feathers, or perhaps yarn or ribbon for extra zip!

Create: As spring comes, it will get easier to find sticks to make wands out of. Sticks can be any kind or size, but ideally are sturdy enough to hold decorations and small enough to carry in your hand comfortably. They will then need to decide how they would like their wand to look. Does it need natural materials like flowers, pine needles, and grasses? Or other decorations like yarn for a handle, buttons, ribbons, bells? Let creativity run wild and create a spring wand! Then go outside and help the Lady in Green/Spring Fairy from the story melt the snow, warm the air, and change winter to spring.

Reflect and Share: What signs of spring did you notice as you used your wand? Was there still snow around? What makes the snow melt? What does snow turn into when it melts? Why do seasons happen? How can you celebrate spring?

Materials: Sticks, yarn, other decorations: bells, pom poms, buttons, ribbon, etc.

Why: Creativity, self direction, motor planning, fine motor skills, visualizing and verbalizing through storytelling, fostering care, awe and wonder. .

Photos: (Below)

