



GREEN IMMERSION

Magdeburg's Bilingual Zoo Kindergarten



nutcracker



Animals Use Tools Too!

rock



Children's Tools

Tools

Chimpanzee's Tools



fork

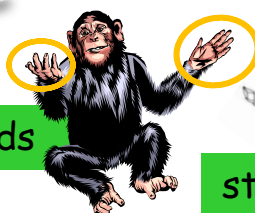


straw



spoon

hands



stick



feet

Objective: To increase the children's English vocabulary; specifically with words they use daily. To demonstrate that, like children, chimpanzees use tools in their daily routines.

Materials: Vocabulary flash cards, poster board of children vs chimps, forks, spoons, nutcrackers, feet, hands, sticks, rocks, videos of chimps using tools, logs, fruit/snacks for the children, plastic containers

Method: Day 1 = Introduce the new words using the poster board. Categorize the tools into "children" and "chimpanzee" columns. Watch video.

Day 2 = Scavenger hunt for the tools in the chimpanzee house.

Day 3 = Create "child enrichment" out of plastic containers. Fill with snacks and crushed paper. Encourage the children to retrieve the food using their tools.

Our children after the scavenger hunt.



Martha enjoying her enrichment.



Some of our children watching Nana with her enrichment.



Wubbo the chimpanzee with his enrichment.



Green Immersion / Grüne Immersion: "Immersion Fremdsprachenerwerb anhand von natur- und umweltbezogenen ("grünen")

Themen, wie Zoopädagogik, Umweltbildung, Artenschutz etc."

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