

BLINK AT HOME

Fishing

Can you create and catch fish?

Skills to Develop

- + Fine motor skills
- + Creative thinking
- + Counting
- + Color identification

Materials

- + Colored paper
- + Crayons/markers/colored pencils
- + Scissors
- + Stapler or paperclips
- + Magnet
- + String
- + Dowel or pencil
- + Tape or hot glue

WHAT TO DO

During the Learning Activity

1. Invite your child to create different colors of fish using the art supplies. Ask: what colors are you using? What type of fish are you making?
2. Place a staple or paperclip on the mouth of each fish. You can add a small piece of tape or a dab of hot glue to help secure it.
3. Cut a short length of string approximately 12 inches long. Attach the magnet to one side of the string and the dowel or pencil to the other side. Secure the string to both the magnet and the dowel using a piece of tape or a dab of hot glue.
4. Choose a location for your lake or river. Place your fish in the desired location and use the magnet fishing pole to catch fish.
5. Practice counting the fish and sorting the fish by color. Pretend to clean and cook the fish, or throw fish back into the lake or river to prolong the fishing fun.

Extend the Fun

- + Practice measuring the fish using a measuring tape.
- + Practice fishing safety, such as staying out of the river or wearing life jackets.