


I Think Mice Are Nice

Mice Activities ~ Teacher Input Suggestions

1. Collect materials and set up a "mouse" interest centre.
2. Encourage students to visit the public library for stories, novels and poems and add to the collection.
3. Read a mouse poem or story every day.
Use a mouse novel and read a chapter a day.
Oral discussion topics:
 - i) How do people feel when they see a mouse?
 - ii) Why are people frightened?
 - iii) Is it true that elephants are afraid of mice?
 - iv) Survey the class to determine how they feel about mice.
4. Sing songs, nursery rhymes, chants about mice.
5. Develop word charts for use in story writing.
 - i) Mice eat...
 - ii) Mice make their homes...
 - iii) Descriptive words
 - iv) Mouse Facts ~ Did You Know?
6. Creative Writing~Write some "Mini Mouse Tales"
Use tiny pieces of paper, make up some small booklets, use tiny pencils...
 - Provide some titles and story starters, "If I Were A Mouse"
 - Compile a class book. What if... "Mice had lice"
"Mice ate rice"
"Mice wore dice"
 - Introduce the class to limericks and write them about mice.
 - Try some shape poetry.
 - Write sequels to some of the stories the children have read.
7. Someone may have a pet mouse to bring in.
Discuss its habits, care, food...
Develop charts and stories from observations.
8. Design a research project on mice or other rodents.
Review "fiction", "non fiction" and where students can locate information in your school library.
9. Mouse-matics: Develop math activities with a "mouse-y" theme.
 - i) Paper Mice with tails of varying lengths can be used for measuring.
 - ii) Mouse word problems.
 - iii) Review math facts.
Students match the math facts (on mice) to the answers (on a piece of cheese, or mousetrap).







Mouse Tales

Write an interesting ending for this story starter.

1. Jason was a very shy, but a curious mouse. He lived in an old, rusty birdhouse that was in a wood pile behind the barn.


Make an illustration to go with your story.

Mouse Tales

Choose a title. Write a mouse story.


5. 1. The Mouse Who Hated Cheese
2. The Too-Big Mouse
3. Anthony the Curious Mouse
4. Molly Mouse Finds a Job




Mouse Creativity

Design a new and modern mousetrap. Illustrate your invention. Label the parts and tell how your invention works.

3.




Mouse Poetry

Print a poem about mice in your best handwriting.

Use a stamp pad and a finger to make mouse prints around your poem.

4.

