

Microteach #1 Plan

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Family and Consumer Science/Potato Stamping/ 7th grade

How can parents engage their children in activities that do not involve electronics and create a bond?

First, the students will close their eyes to hear a description of their future children who are trapped indoors. I will then explain how children relate to the potato stamps we are creating. Children need activities for days when it is too cold or hot outside and that do not involve electronics. Following that, examples will be shown of potato stamps I have created. A visual can really help the student grasp the concept. I will describe how to carve out the potato with a plastic knife, and caution about cutting themselves. After the explanation the students will have two minutes to carve out a shape or simple pattern. To seize attention again all students must put objects down and hands in the air. Next comes the printing part of the potato, which involves paint. Students will be given directions on how to dip the potato into paint or use a paintbrush to spread it on. Paper bags are the canvas to print on for a cute lunch bag or gift sack. After directions they have a minute to print any design they desire. Again hands will go in the air along with the bags so others can observe them. I will hand out fruit roll-ups because of the hard work and corporation. Lastly, teacher will explain how the craft is creative, cheap, and convenient and how easy it is to change household items into quality time with their future children.