

K-3 Activities

Kindergarten Unit: “Ourselves”

- 1) Find a picture in the newspaper that shows someone playing. What are they doing? Do you think you would enjoy this activity?
- 2) Cut out pictures of people from the paper. Discuss what the people are feeling. Make a separate collage for happy, sad, excited and afraid.
- 3) Look through the ads in the newspaper and cut out a picture of a toy you would like to buy. Write down how much it will cost you to buy this toy. How might you earn the money to pay for this toy?
- 4) Find a story about someone whose business is selling something. Discuss what they sell and make a list of the things that person might need to stay in business.
- 5) Cut comic strips from the paper. Cut each strip to separate the frames and put the pieces in an envelope. Swap envelopes with your neighbor and work to put the comics back in order.
- 6) One way to make your savings go farther is to look for sales. Look through the newspaper for an item your class would like that is on sale. As a class, find out how much money you would need to save to buy the item at the sale price and at the regular price.
- 7) Look in the newspaper for a picture of someone who earned something. What did they earn? How did they earn it?

First Grade Unit: “Our Families”

- 1) Cut out pictures of families in the newspaper. Paste all of the pictures on a piece of construction paper. Look for all types of families.
- 2) Look in the paper for an article about a family. Why is this family in the newspaper? How is the family supporting one another?
- 3) Look in the paper for a picture of a family that needs something. Discuss ways that the family copes without the things they need.
- 4) Use the weather map to identify states where other members of your family live. Discuss the ways in which these areas better fit their needs and/or wants.
- 5) Cut out pictures from the newspaper of people working. Tell the class what job is being done.
- 6) Find three jobs in the newspaper, using photographs or words. Make a list of all the tools someone would need to complete these jobs.