

# experience preschool + Little Goose

## for Multi-Age Learning

18 months - 5 years old

**SOAPY WATER**  
Wonder About  
Role-play routines for washing

**STEAM STATION SENSORY**  
SEE PG. 8 FOR DETAILS

**SMALL GROUP LITERACY**  
**Rub-a-Dub-Dub**  
ILD 5 Concepts of Print ILD 3 Phonological Awareness

**SUPPLIES**  
**FOR EACH CHILD**  
 I Can Read book  
**YOUR SUPPLIES**  
 Bath toys that squirt  
 Bin of water  
 Empty container  
 Crayons

**Discuss & Explore**  
• What toys do you play with in the tub?  
• Set out a bin of water, an empty container and bath toys. Invite children to squirt water into the empty container.

**Play Together**  
• Give each child an I Can Read book.  
• Invite children to point to the text as you read aloud.  
• Encourage children to underline any word that ends in -ub.  
• **Simplify:** Invite the child to help turn the pages and you read the text.  
• **Challenge:** You read the text then invite the child to read the same text.

**OBSERVE:** Does the child turn the pages and follow along with the reading? Does she find a word that ends in -ub?

**SUGGESTED STORY**  
**TIME for a BATH**  
by Phillis Gershator  
ILD 6 Reading Comprehension  
PD 4 Personal Care  
SS 1 Culture & Community

• Show the book cover and read its title aloud. Invite children to list items that are needed for bath time: water, soap, towel, shampoo, toys.  
• Read the story and, before turning each page, encourage children to share their ideas about the kinds of fun that requires bath.

The **Little Goose Teacher Guide** explains how to simplify the activities, games and art projects for toddlers while using the supplies and materials in our Experience Preschool Curriculum Kit.



### PRESCHOOL TEACHER GUIDE

## Rub-a-Dub-Dub

SKILLS MR 2 SPATIAL AWARENESS ILD 5 CONCEPTS OF PRINT

### SUPPLIES

- FOR EACH CHILD**  
 I Can Read book
- YOUR SUPPLIES**  
 Pot  
 Toys

### Play Together

- Look at the book and ask the child "where" questions.
- Encourage the child to use words such as "in," "above" and "under."

- Set out a pot and a variety of toys.
- Invite the child to play with toys and talk about the location of the toy in relation to the pot or to himself (in, next to, behind, on, etc.).

Does the child respond to the "where" question by pointing?

## Reasons to use Little Goose:

- Individualized activities for your multi-age groups
- Simple and easy-to-use plans that engage ages 18 months to 5 years in meaningful play
- Time-saving adaptations for younger children

**How does the Little Goose Teacher Guide work?** The Little Goose Guide complements the Experience Preschool Teacher Guide. The lesson numbers, the daily topics and the activity names in Little Goose match the Preschool Teacher Guide. This makes it easy to use both guides simultaneously when working with a mixed-age group.

### LITTLE GOOSE GUIDE

# These special features are available only in the Little Goose Teacher Guide:



## TABLE TOP MATH Soapy Shapes

### SUPPLIES

- Cube Cards: shapes (from lesson 6)
- Washable or dry-erase markers
- Sponge
- Bowl of soapy water
- Paper towel

### Set Up

- Insert paper into the sheet protector.
- Place all the supplies on the table.

### Independent Play

- Encourage a child to roll the Pocket Cube and identify the shape.
- Draw that shape on the sheet protector with a washable/dry-erase marker.
- Dip a sponge in soapy water and use it to wash the shape. Repeat with a sponge and soapy water for each shape.

Does the child identify the shapes on the cards? Does she attempt to draw the shapes or make shape-like marks?

## Closing Time

### Reflection

- Have you ever given a pet a bath?

## MUSIC AND MOVEMENT Pretend to Wash

- CA 4.D.10, MD 2.C.10
- Play "Soapy Suds," track 9 on the Dancing with Bubbles, Boots & Floats CD.
- Invite children to pretend to wash an imaginary object to the music.
- Pause the song and encourage a child to guess what someone else is pretending to wash.

## WIGGLE & GIGGLE

This is a simplified version of Experience Preschool's closing time. Wiggle & Giggle's music and movement activities stimulate gross motor coordination and balance while also nurturing creative expression through music.

# Wiggle & Giggle

## Soapy Suds

Track 9, Dancing with Bubbles, Boots & Floats CD

Dance with washcloths and pretend to wash arms, legs, shoulders as the music plays.

## TRAY PLAY

# Squirt Art

SKILL PD 2 FINE MOTOR

### SUPPLIES

- Paint
- Ice cube tray
- Paper towel
- Eyedropper

### SET UP

- Mix paint and water and pour it in the sections of an ice cube tray.

Set out a long strip of paper towel, the ice cube tray with paint and an eyedropper. Encourage the child to squeeze the eyedropper to suck up paint then squirt it on the paper towel to create designs.

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## SNUGGLE & CUDDLE

Relationships are foundational to all areas of development and learning. Cuddle & Snuggle's one-on-one relationship-based experiences are a daily opportunity to bond with each child.

## TRAY PLAY ACTIVITIES

Each month, Little Goose features 20 Montessori-inspired Tray Play ideas that are easy to set up. Play on the floor, in a high chair or even on the go!



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