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## Newport Beach Public Library

### Kids' Summer Reading 2020



### Diggers and 'Dozers Crafts

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#### Construction Vehicle Shapes

Use various shapes to create all different kinds of construction vehicles.

##### **What You'll Need**

- Construction paper in a variety of colors
- Card stock
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Tissue paper (*optional*)

##### **Instructions**

1. Using different colored paper, cut out different shapes (circles, squares, rectangles, semi-circles) in various sizes-- let your preschoolers help you cut the shapes and strengthen those finger muscles, too!
2. Glue shapes together on card stock to make your favorite construction vehicle.

**Bonus fine motor activity:** crumple tissue paper to make it 3D--tissue paper can be trash in a dump truck or dirt in a bulldozer. Use your imagination!

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#### Building Brick Blueprint Painting

Use paint and building bricks to create your own architectural blueprints.

##### **What You'll Need**

- Blue cardstock
- White paint
- Paper plate
- Building Bricks (i.e. Legos)
- Toy vehicles (*optional*)

##### **Instructions**

1. Pour white paint onto paper plate
2. Dip building brick in white paint and stamp on to blue card stock
3. Repeat stamping and design your own building

**Bonus imprint painting activity:** Using a toy vehicle from home, roll vehicle through paint and onto paper to create tire track paintings!

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#### Popsicle Stick Structures

Use popsicle sticks to build different kinds of structures.

##### **What You'll Need**

- Colorful popsicle sticks
- Glue dots
- Masking tape, playdough, or hot glue (*optional*)

##### **Instructions**

1. Arrange the different colored popsicle sticks to make shapes like squares and triangles.
2. Fasten sticks together using glue dots (*can also use masking tape, playdough, or hot glue*)

**Bonus STEM activity:** Be an engineer and see what else you can make--mix in straws, toothpicks and other materials to build bridges, letters, mazes, and more!

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Be sure to check out [www.NewportKids.org](http://www.NewportKids.org) for more crafting fun!

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