

TEACHER'S NOTES



THE FOUR SEASONS

Art and crafts

Aim

• To introduce and revise the four seasons and weather vocabulary.

Materials

- Coloured pencils.
- Scissors.
- Glue.
- Worksheet.
- A piece of string (optional).

Duration

30 minutes.

Language focus

- The four seasons: *spring, summer, autumn, winter.*
- Weather vocabulary: *hot, cold, snowing, cloudy, raining, sunny, windy, warm.*

Cross-curricular content

- Art and crafts.
- Children assemble a cut-out representing the four seasons.

Preparation

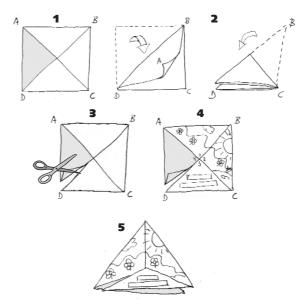
- Draw pictures on the board representing each of the four seasons, eg, *a snowman* (for winter), *flowers* (for spring), *the sun and sea* (for summer), *clouds and falling leaves* (for autumn).
- Children guess which season each picture represents. Write the names of the seasons under the pictures.
- Next, elicit weather vocabulary for each season, writing it under each appropriate picture.

(Winter: *cold, snowing*. Spring: *warm, raining*. Summer: *hot, sunny*. Autumn: *windy, cloudy*.)

Making the cut-out

- Cut out the square (which is divided into four numbered triangles).
- Fold corner A of the square to corner C. Then fold corner B to corner D.
- Unfold the square and cut along the dashed line.
- Assign a season to each child in the class. The children draw a background scene on triangles 1 and 2, according to the season they have been assigned.

• Once they have drawn the background scene, the children fold triangle 3 over triangle 4 and glue them together.



- The children cut out one label from each of the two lists at the bottom of the worksheet, depending on the season they are working on (make sure they have chosen the correct labels).
- The children glue the labels to the appropriate spaces on triangle 3.

Extension activities

- 1 Children can add stand-up parts to decorate the scene. (Summer: *a sunshade, a sandcastle,* etc; Autumn: *a tree without leaves,* etc; Winter: *a snowman, a Christmas tree,* etc; Spring: *flowers, trees,* etc.)
- **2** Put children in groups of four, each group with one cut-out of each of the four seasons. These four 3-sided cut-outs can be glued together side-by-side. Then, punch a hole at the top, attach a string and the cutout can be hung as a mobile.

