



STORY OF THE DAY

Bear Shadow

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STORY EXTENSION IDEAS

- Tape white paper onto a wall and have children hold their hands in front of it while shining the flashlight on to create a shadow print. Trace their outline shadows. You can also let them sit in a chair and trace the outline of their heads.
- Try Sun Painting with your child - Place various shaped flat objects on a dark piece of construction paper. You can cut out shapes and designs or use common objects like a ruler or key. Place paper in direct sunlight for a few hours. Show children how the sunlight faded the paper, leaving dark silhouettes.
- Play a game of shadow tag - on a sunny day, you and your child can chase each other outside and try to step on each other's shadow.
- Try making a shadow puppet show. How can you make shadows in your home? How can you make shadows outside?

IDEA OF THE DAY

HAVE SOME FLASHLIGHT FUN

This activity can help boost communication skills. Sit on a couch or chair with a flashlight for you and for your child in a darkened room. Take turns shining the light on different things. Ask your child questions about the items in the room, and talk about what you see. Whisper and laugh together, and make up a silly story. Chats like these hone language skills while helping your child feel safe, secure, and calm.