

STORY OF THE DAY



SCRIBBLE

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STORY EXTENSION IDEAS

- Go outside and play with sidewalk chalk. Make shapes or scribbles. Turn one large messy scribble, ending where it began, into a work of abstract art, by simply coloring in some, or all of the closed shapes along the line.
- Make a [PAPER ROLL SCRIBBLER](#) -- click on the is link for instructions
- Draw a bunch of different types of lines on the concrete - zig-zag, curvy, straight lines and a big swirl - go over them twice to ensure they "stick". Model how to walk on the lines, staying as closely as possible. Then give your child a chance to try it themselves. This may be challenging for younger children, so lightly hold one of their hands if needed. Give your older child extra challenges - Can you jump down that zig-zag line?, or Hop on one foot along the swirly line - or can you go backwards?

IDEA OF THE DAY

CREATE A DESIGNATED WRITING CENTER

To make writing/prewriting activities inviting to young children, designate a table or desk as your home's "writing center." Fill it with open-ended materials that invite exploration and experimentation. Offer kids blank paper in different colors, a small dry erase board, markers, crayons, pencils, scissors, glue sticks, hole punches, and envelopes. Kids who have a variety of materials on hand will be more likely to initiate self-directed writing projects.