How to Pour Water



Purpose

To teach a child how to carefully pour a liquid, e.g., water.

Age: 2 1/2-3 years old.

Prerequisite

How to Pour Grain.

You will need

• Plastic mat.

A tray with the following items:

- Three transparent cups.
- Glass pitcher.
- Drying cloth.

Preparation

On the three transparent cups, draw a line at three-quarter height with a permanent marker. On the glass pitcher, draw a line that is slightly higher than the height corresponding to the combined volume of the three cups.

Presentation

- Invite your child to accompany you to the shelf where you will introduce the activity.
- Ask him to place the plastic mat on the table.
- Carry the tray holding the materials to the table.
- Take the materials off of the tray and arrange them on the plastic mat so that you can pour easily.
- Explain to your child that the cloth is for wiping the cups and pitcher and any spills.
- Point out the lines on the cups.
- Show your child how to carry the pitcher to the sink and fill it with water.
- Ask him to tell you when the water reaches the indication mark on the pitcher.
- At the table, slowly pour the water from the pitcher into the first cup, stopping at the three-quarter line.
- After filling all three cups to the three-quarter line, carefully pour the water from each of the cups back into the pitcher.
- Encourage your child to repeat the activity.
- When he is finished, empty the pitcher of water into the sink.
- Using the drying cloth, wipe off the cups and pitcher before placing them back on the tray.
- If any water has spilled, wipe it up with the drying cloth.
- Show your child how to hang the wet cloth on the clothes drying rack.
- Ask your child to get a dry cloth and replace all the items onto the tray when he is done.
- Remind him to return the tray to the shelf.

