



Opening the Gift

I Spy a Pie



- Pie In the Sky* by Lois Ehlert
- The Apple Pie Tree* by Zoe Hall
- Three Little Kittens* by Paul Galdone
- Thanks for Thanksgiving* by Julie Markes
- The Garden That We Grew* by Joan Holub
- The Pizza That We Made* by Joan Holub
- All For Pie, Pie For All* by David Martin
- Pizza At Sally's* by Monica Wellington
- Pie For Chuck* by Pat Schories



Nursery Rhyme: Little Jack Horner Songs & Fingerplays to Share



CD: "Freeze Dance" from *Songs for Dreamers* by Marky Weinstock



Rollin' in Dough

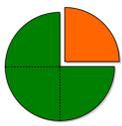
Baker, baker, roll that dough.
Roll it fast; roll it slow.
Roll it thick; roll it thin.
Roll it out and back again!



Roll, Add, Bake, Done

(tune: "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

Roll, roll, roll the dough.
Making pie is fun!
Add the fruit and bake it up.
Now the pie is done.



One Whole Pie

One whole pie set by the door,
Cut into pieces, I count four.
Four pieces of pie all for me,
I ate one piece, now there are three.
Three pieces of pie for me too,
I ate another piece, now there are two.
Two pieces of pie; Oh what fun!
I ate another piece, now there is one.
One piece of pie; I can't wait!
I ate that last piece, empty plate!

Pie Wishes

(tune: "If You're Happy and You Know It")

Oh, I wish I were a little piece of pie. Yum! Yum!
Oh, I wish I were a little piece of pie. Yum! Yum!
Filled with [apples] all around
With a crust so warm and brown-
Oh, I wish I were a little piece of pie. Yum! Yum!

Repeat song several times, having youngsters suggest a different filling each time, such as:
pumpkin, cherries, chocolate, berries
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Thankful Song

(tune: *Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star*)

Let's be thankful for this day
For our friends and for our play
Let's be thankful; let's be glad
For the food and things we have
Let's give thanks for you and me
And our home and family.



Your next visit will be: December _____
Next month's theme will be: "A Long Winter's Nap"



More Books to Share:

Amelia Bedelia's First Apple Pie by Herman Parish

I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Pie by Alison Jackson

The Apple Pie That Papa Baked by Laren Thompson

A Little Bit of Love by Cynthia Platt

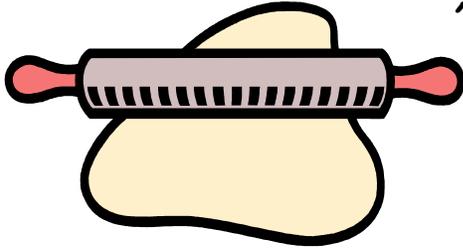
Ducking for Apples by Lynne Berry

Secret Pizza Party by Adam Rubin

Apple Pie ABC by Alison Murray

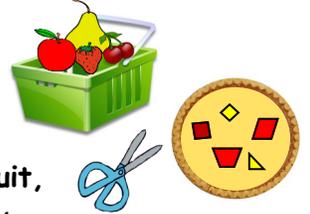
Pete's a Pizza by William Steig

Ugly Pie by Lisa Wheeler



Activity Ideas:

Add Some Fruit!: Place paper fruit cutouts in a tub. Place a large pie cutout and a pair of scissors nearby. A youngster chooses a piece of fruit and cuts it into small pieces. Then he glues the pieces to the pie. When the pie is covered with pieces of fruit, strips of brown construction paper may be attached to make a lattice top. *Mailbox Magazine, Preschool edition Oct/Nov 2009*



Letter Munchers: These gobbling guys provide a novel way to reinforce beginning sounds and recycle empty tissue boxes. To make a Letter Muncher, stand a tissue box on end. Using the open area as an open mouth, glue a construction-paper face and features to the box. If necessary, cut the box to extend the mouth area. Label the Muncher with the letter of your choice. To prepare the munchies, gather objects or pictures whose names begin with the chosen letter along with a few distractor objects. To use this center, a child looks at each object or picture and determines whether its name begins with the indicated letter. If it does, he "feeds" it to the Letter Muncher. If it doesn't, he sets it aside. *themailbox.com*



Book of the Month:

Move, Play, and Learn with Smart Steps: Sequenced Activities to Build the Body and the Brain by Gill Connell, Wendy Pirie, and Cheryl McCarthy



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Build the body-brain connection with step-by-step activities that help children develop physical, cognitive, social, and emotional foundations for early learning and school readiness. Early childhood educators, caregivers, and parents will find clear information on creating the move-to-learn environment, managing safety, and optimizing the connections between language development, movement, and readiness for formal learning.



Road to Reading Tip:



Sequence of Events: Providing your child with opportunities to recall events in the correct sequence will help your child as she participates in science exploration and discovery.

Understanding sequence also helps your child understand story structure which in turn builds reading comprehension and writing skills. Create a "sequence of events" story. Start with a sheet of paper divided into 4 large squares. Pick an activity your child is familiar with, such as making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich or brushing his teeth. Ask your child to draw the steps of the activity — one step per square in order from beginning to end.

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