Activity: "Made a pretend pizza with playdoh"

Art

- The child learned to mold and shape playdoh to create different pizza toppings and crust.
- They explored different colors and textures to make their pizza look visually appealing.
- The child practiced fine motor skills by manipulating the playdoh to create various shapes and sizes.
- They used their imagination and creativity to design their own unique pretend pizza.

English Language Arts

- The child engaged in storytelling by imagining and narrating scenarios related to their pretend pizza.
- They practiced descriptive language skills by using adjectives to describe their pizza toppings, such as "cheesy," "spicy," or "colorful."
- The activity encouraged vocabulary development as they learned new words for pizza ingredients and cooking terms.
- The child had the opportunity to play pretend and act out different roles, enhancing their imaginative play skills.

Continued Development Tips: Encourage the child to extend their pretend play by setting up a pizza parlor in a dramatic play area. Provide additional materials such as paper plates, menus, and pretend money to enhance their role-playing experience. You can also introduce real cooking utensils and ingredients for a hands-on experience of making a real pizza together, discussing the steps involved and engaging in conversation about food and cooking.

Book Recommendations

- <u>Pizza at Sally's</u> by Monica Wellington: Join Sally as she makes delicious pizzas from scratch and delivers them to her hungry customers. Learn about different pizza toppings and the process of making pizza.
- <u>The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza</u> by Philemon Sturges: A twist on the classic tale, the Little Red Hen decides to make a pizza from scratch. Follow along as she goes through the steps of making the dough, gathering ingredients, and baking the pizza.
- <u>Hi, Pizza Man!</u> by Virginia Walter: This interactive book invites children to participate in a pizza delivery adventure. Knock on the door, ring the bell, and shout "Hi, Pizza Man!" as you encounter different characters along the way.

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