T's Colorful Day: Finger Painting Fun and Orange Surprise!

Get ready for a super fun time moving our bodies and making colorful art, T!

Part 1: Wiggle and Move! (Gross Motor Warm-up - 10 minutes)

Let's get our bodies ready to create! We can put on some music if you like!

- **Big Stomps:** Let's pretend we are big friendly giants! Stomp your feet! STOMP, STOMP, STOMP!
- **Arm Swings:** Now, let's swing our arms like an elephant's trunk! Woosh, woosh, woosh! Swing them high, swing them low.
- **Reach for the Sky:** Reach up super tall, like you're trying to touch the clouds! And now, touch your toes!
- **Jumping Jacks (simplified):** Let's try some happy jumps! Jump, jump, jump! (Or just jump up and down).
- Wiggle Worm: Wiggle your whole body like a wiggly worm! Wiggle, wiggle!

Great job moving, T! Now our bodies are all warmed up for some painting fun!

Part 2: Colorful Finger Painting Adventure! (Creative Arts - 20-30 minutes)

It's time to get our hands messy and be artists!

Setup:

- 1. Make sure T is wearing a smock or old clothes.
- 2. Cover the table or floor with newspaper or a plastic sheet.
- 3. Put small amounts of red, yellow, and blue finger paint onto separate shallow trays or plates.
- 4. Have a large sheet of paper ready for T.

Let's Paint!

Exploring Primary Colors:

- \"Look, T! We have beautiful colors! This is RED like a yummy apple!\" (Point to the red paint. Encourage T to say \"red\"). \"Let's dip a finger in the red paint and make some red marks on our paper!\"
- 2. \"Wow! Now let's try this color. This is YELLOW like a bright sun!\" (Point to the yellow paint. Encourage T to say \"yellow\"). \"Let's dip a finger (maybe a new one, or wipe the first one) in the yellow paint and make some yellow marks!\"
- 3. \"And look at this one! This is **BLUE** like the big sky!\" (Point to the blue paint. Encourage T to say \"blue\"). \"Let's make some blue marks too!\"
- 4. Let T explore painting with these colors freely for a few minutes. Talk about how the paint feels- \"Is it squishy? Is it cold?\"

Color Mixing Magic - Red + Yellow = ORANGE!

- 1. \"T, are you ready for some color magic? Let's see what happens when we mix two colors!\"
- 2. \"Let's take a little bit of **RED** paint on one finger.\" (Help T if needed).

- 3. \"Now, let's take a little bit of **YELLOW** paint on another finger, or on the same spot on the paper.\"
- 4. \"Okay, let's mix them together on the paper! Rub, rub, rub the red and yellow paint together!\"
- 5. \"Wow! Look, T! What color is that? Red and yellow together make... **ORANGE**! Just like an orange fruit!\"
- 6. Encourage T to make more orange. You can also demonstrate mixing a larger amount directly on a clean part of a tray or on the paper. \"See? Red plus yellow makes orange!\"
- 7. Let T continue to explore mixing these two colors or painting with the individual colors. If T shows interest, you can briefly try mixing red + blue (purple) or yellow + blue (green), but keep the main focus on red + yellow = orange for simplicity at this age.

Part 3: Clean-Up Time! (5-10 minutes)

All great artists clean up their space!

- \"Wow, T, what beautiful art you made! Now it's time to clean our hands.\"
- Use wipes or guide T to a basin of warm, soapy water to wash hands. Talk about washing all the paint off.
- Help clean the paint supplies and the work surface together (as much as T can participate e.g., putting lids back on paint, helping wipe the table with a cloth).

You did such a wonderful job today, T! You were a fantastic mover and a super color explorer!