

Frame Art Experience

Why frame art?

Frame art is a creative and imaginative experience that uses natural and recycled resources, and is suitable for children of all ages and stages.

Frame art helps to develop:

- An understanding of spatial awareness, space within the frame.
- An understanding of shape, size, volume, and measurement.
- Dispositions for learning – curiosity, creativity, imagination, and reflexivity.
- Following and extending children's own interests with enthusiasm, energy, and concentration.

Here's what you'll need:

- Old photo frames of varying sizes and shapes, with glass removed.
- Loose natural materials – stones, sticks, leaves, gumnuts, flowers etc, coloured buttons, fabric, pipe cleaners ... the list is only limited by your creativity and imagination.
- Baskets to help sort your bits and pieces.

Here's how to do it:

- Encourage children to explore and create with the loose parts, building a picture within the photo frame. Frames offered a defined area to create in and assist the creation to really stand out.
- The children can change, add, take away from their art work as often as they choose, making new and interesting pictures.

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Possible extensions:

- Children may discover making patterns, sorting objects into categories.
- Exploring numeracy concepts – size, shape, order, measurement, volume, spatial awareness.
- Children can draw their creations.
- Use cameras to capture the creations.
- Look for other resources to enhance imagination and creativity further.

