



Sound of the week 'P' - Pear birds

What you will need

- Pear
- Oranges
- Apple
- Any fruit of your choice to add

Instructions

This is a great activity for all ages. Not only to explore different fruits but use their imagination and creativity skills. Also, using their fine motor skills to cut apples and peel oranges.

You will need to cut a pear in half, obviously this will be supervised. Unless the child is at an age where they can use child friendly knives to have a try themselves.

You will then place it on a plate face down. You can then cut up some apple and peel an orange and separate the pieces around the pear. This will make the shape of some wings. In this case, we are making a peacock. They have lots of feathers. You don't need to make this however. If your child wants to make something else that they have come up with then allow them to. This can be a good activity for the child to lead and talk through what they have made.

Questions to ask your child to extend their learning

Where do pears, oranges and apples come from?- **understanding the world**

How do they grow?- **learning about the world around them and lifecycles**

Where do birds lay their eggs?- **communication and language, understanding concepts.**

Why do we need to eat fruit?- **physical development- health and self care, healthy practices**

How many pieces of fruit do we have? **Maths- focusing on quantities and numerals**

Vocabulary to encourage

Speak about healthy eating and the range of fruits we need. Healthy practices in regards to exercise. **(vitamins, portion, goodness, diets, balance)**

Speak about the sound 'p' and get the child to copy the movement with their lips. ; **P P P P P.**

When speaking about birds, talk about the environment they live in. Talk about animals that live in different habitats.