

# **AC - Shoots and Sprouts**

## **Extension Activities**

Each month we provide curriculum, instruction, and materials for 6 to 8 activities. We also provide a list of "Extension Activities." These activities are not covered in our video training and may require additional items from home.

#### "Control Card" for Tree Puzzle

Create a 'control card' by tracing the Tree puzzle onto a piece of paper. Have your child use the control card as a guide to recreate the puzzle without the frame.

### Mystery Bag with other objects

Explore items from around the house using the mystery bag. Discuss their different attributes: soft, hard, heavy, light, etc.

#### **3 Part Cards**

Use 3 Part Cards to help your child learn the names of the parts of the plant. First, match just the parts, then match the parts and words. Your child doesn't need to know how to read to match the words, just to be able to recognize that the shapes are the same. For the older children, have them match the words by reading them, and just labeling the card without the word.

#### **Growing more plants**

While you are exploring plants, you can grow all kinds of things with your child! Explore growing things from scraps in the kitchen: avocados, peaches, or nectarines from the pit, apple or orange trees from their seeds. There are lots of possibilities!

#### **Visit a Local Plant Nursery**

This can be a great experience to learn about all the different types of plants. Similar plants will be grouped in different areas, so you can see plants that require more sun or less.

If you come up with any extension activities at home, make sure to post a note on the forum for other parents to see: https://www.facebook.com/groups/mbymom