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Montessori Advent Calendar

5 free Christmas activities • Ages 3–5



Day 1

Ages 3–5



Christmas Mystery Bag

Guess each treasure by touch alone.

You'll need

- A cloth drawstring bag
- A pinecone
- A jingle bell
- A wooden star
- A small candle

How

- Name the objects, then hide them
- Reach in and feel one without looking
- Guess it, then pull it out to check

Why it helps

- Sense of touch
- New words
- Concentration

Day 2

Ages 3–5



Grass for the Reindeer

Sow green grass for Santa's reindeer.

You'll need

- A shallow dish
- Cotton wool
- Cress or wheat seeds
- A small spray bottle
- Water

How

- Wet the cotton and sprinkle the seeds
- Set the dish on a sunny windowsill
- Spray a little every morning

Why it helps

- Patience
- Cause and effect
- Early science

Day 3

Ages 3–5



Christmas Card Puzzle

Cut an old card and put it back together.

You'll need

- An old Christmas card
- Child-safe scissors
- A pencil
- A ruler
- A small tray

How

- Draw lines to make 4 pieces
- Cut along the lines together
- Mix the pieces and rebuild the picture

Why it helps

- Scissor skills
- Visual attention
- Problem solving

Day 4

Ages 3–5



Stamped Gift Wrap

Print your own wrapping paper with stamps.

You'll need

- Brown kraft paper
- A potato cut in half
- Washable paint
- 2 saucers
- An apron

How

- An adult carves a star into the potato
- Dip the stamp in paint
- Press it all over the paper and let it dry

Why it helps

- Hand strength
- Patterns and rhythm
- Pride in a real gift

Day 5

Ages 3–5



Snowball Transfer

Move the snowballs one by one with tongs.

You'll need

- White pom-poms in a bowl
- Small tongs
- A muffin tin

How

- Show how to squeeze the tongs
- Pick up one snowball at a time
- Drop one into each muffin cup

Why it helps

- Pincer grip for writing
- Hand-eye coordination
- One-to-one counting



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