

Make-and-Solve Puzzle

Ages 4-8 · 20 min · Small group

Learning intention

This experience supports children to develop fine-motor skills and to solve problems.

You'll need

- Assorted picture print-outs
- Scissors
- Colouring pencils
- Cardboard backing

How to do it

1. Children colour a picture, then glue it to cardboard for strength.
2. An educator helps cut the picture into puzzle pieces.
3. Children jumble and solve their own puzzle.
4. A calm, satisfying wind-down activity.

Framework links

MTOP

- **3.2** Children and young people become strong in their physical learning and wellbeing
- **4.2** Children and young people develop a range of learning and thinking skills and processes such as problem solving, inquiry, experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating

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- **3.2.2** Resources support play-based learning - Resources, materials and equipment allow for multiple uses, are sufficient in number, and enable every child to engage in play-based learning.

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