Emotion Jars Craft Activity

Create colourful jars to explore and understand your feelings!



NOTE: This image is for creative purposes only and not a representation of the final result

Materials Needed:

- Clear glass or plastic jars with lids (one for each emotion)
- Water
- Food colouring (various colours)
- Glitter (different colours and sizes)
- Small objects like buttons, beads, or sequins
- Glycerin or clear glue (optional, to slow down the settling of materials)
- · Labels or markers for labelling jars

Instructions:

- 1. Choose which emotions you want to represent (e.g., happiness, sadness, anger, calm).
- 2. For each emotion, fill a jar about 3/4 full with water.
- 3. Add a few drops of food colouring that represents the emotion (e.g., yellow for happiness, blue for sadness).
- 4. Add glitter and small objects that represent the emotion.
- 5. If using, add a tablespoon of glycerin or clear glue to slow down the settling of materials.
- 6. Fill the jar to the top with water, leaving a small space for shaking.
- 7. Secure the lid tightly and seal with glue if necessary.
- 8. Label each jar with its corresponding emotion.
- 9. Shake the jar and watch the contents swirl, discussing how it represents the emotion.

Benefits of the Emotion Jars Activity

- · Helps children visualize and understand different emotions
- Provides a tangible way to discuss feelings
- Can be used as a calming tool when emotions are intense
- Encourages creativity and self-expression
- Develops fine motor skills during the crafting process
- Promotes emotional intelligence and self-awareness