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Commentary Paper

I decided to make my activity based on three bears which is a dramatic play activity that lets students express their own ideas and help them work together with their classmates. This activity helps students connect to the main themes of my curriculum web by trying different angles, centered around the same topic. The Three bears are part of the "Winter ' theme where the main focus is expression and creativity. I think students in pre-k will find this activity fun, they are allowed to be creative as possible and while they create their own story. The students are also able to be a part of their classmates' stories. This activity is basic of the format of the three bears, the students will need 3 place settings (for porridge), three chairs, three small towels (for beds) and, of course, a few versions of the book The Three Bears! 4 children at a time should be in this center to act out the story. They may not act it out, they may just be the bears living in a cave in winter! Go with it

The activity is developmentally appropriate and culturally responsive because it helps children express and explore their creative ideas. Self-expression is especially important to the development of a child's identity, self-confidence, and sense of belonging to the world. It opens children's minds and allows them to form thoughts and ideas that may surprise us. Self-expression helps children communicate their feelings in a positive way.

Students will have a fun time doing this activity, learning, and exploring their ideas and their classmates together. This is very important so they can start building relationships and connections with the people around them.

According to the article "*The Wisdom of Play: How Children Learn to Make Sense of the World.*" by David Elkind, My idea is for the activity is similar to those in the article which are "the value of open-ended and creative play is that it enables children to explore a variety of creative uses of common materials and environments, challenges conventional ways to use materials, and gives children a sense of power, control, and mastery of their own learning."

David Elkind understood that a children find delight in the fun of a game that required great concentration, physical agility, and creativity, which is what I tired to base mt activity on.

The three bears play is a beneficial activity that helps students express and explore their ideads and also helps them become more confident. This will help understand that their and other ideas matter and they are all important and should respect each other.

They should learned after the activity that being creative is okay and they should also express themselves and work together with others

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