

SNAKES

ART

TIE SNAKES

Collect a variety of old wide ties. Stuff with polyester fiberfill. Sew ends together. Glue on button eyes and yarn tongues

PIPE CLEANER SNAKES

Provide several colors of pipe cleaners for kids. Let them twist them together. Add wiggle eyes.

NOODLE SNAKES

Use elbow macaroni and pipe cleaners. Thread 4 macaroni noodles onto pipe cleaner. Bend ends to hold noodles on. Add eyes with magic marker.

SILLY SNAKES

1. Cut four long strips from each of the following colors of construction paper -- orange, green and brown.
2. Glue the first strip of paper into a ring and link the other strips of paper to it, making a chain and alternating each color.
3. Draw and cut out a snake's head on a remaining piece of green construction paper.
4. Glue the head to the construction paper chain.
5. Glue wiggly eyes to the snake's head and draw nostrils on it.
6. Draw and cut out a slithery snake tongue out of red construction paper.
7. Glue the tongue to the snake's head.

FINGERPRINT SNAKES

Stamp your index finger in green paint and your pinkie finger in brown paint (or choose the colors you prefer) Alternate colors and directions in a

wiggly line to make your snake. Use a marker to draw a small eye and tongue.



RATTLESNAKE RATTLES

Put sunflower seeds or dried beans in 2 small paper cups. Tape open ends together and insert 12" dowel or stick through the bottom of 1 cup and secure. Decorate and shake to make rattle

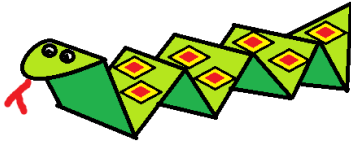
SNAKE STICKS

Give each child long sticks and let them paint them and glue on buttons for eyes

SNAKE SKINS

Use side of crayon to make rubbings on strip of brown paper. Draw and cut a long straight or curvy piece of snakeskin.≡

WALLPAPER SNAKES



Material: Wallpaper samples, Scissors, Black crayon, Googly eyes, Glue

1. Give children the wallpaper samples and safety scissors.
2. Invite the children to cut out a worm or snake shape from the samples.
3. Show the children how to fold the snake accordion style, then unfold it so the snake has ridges.
4. Let kids color the snake with black polka-dots.
5. The children can then glue on the googly eyes.

SNAKE PRINTS

Dip string in paint and make snake tracks on your paper!

SLINKY SNAKES



Cut a spiral shape from construction paper. Add googly eyes and mouth. Attach a string to the center. Pull the spiral down to make a coiled snake.



GAME

PASS THE SNAKE

Wrap a class supply of gummy worms in plastic wrap. Cover the plastic with a layer of tissue paper. Add sticky-dot eyes and a paper tongue. Wrap the snake in several layers of tissue paper, adding eyes and a tongue each time. Play music and have kids pass the snake around the circle. Periodically stop the music and tell students that the snake must shed a layer of skin. The child holding the snake must carefully unwrap one layer of tissue. The game continues until the last layer of skin is shed and the slithery sweets are shared.

OTHER FUN STUFF

SILLY TALK

Try talking silly, snake talk. Whenever you make an "s" sound, draw it out long s-s-s-s-o it s-s-s-s-sounds like his-s-s-s-s-s-sing.

SNEAKY SNAKE

Kneel on floor holding rope snake. Have children stand all around you. Wiggle the snake back and forth across the floor and have the children jump to get out of its way.

SNAKE CHARMER

Play snake charmer. One child is snake charmer, one is snake. Make snake charmer's flute from cardboard tube.

SNACK

Serve spaghetti. Try to find the fattest size to resemble snakes.

SNAKE REFRIGERATOR COOKIES

1/2 Cup Peanut Butter
1/2 Cup Powdered Milk
1/2 Cup Honey
1 Tbsp Cocoa
1/2 tsp Vanilla
1/2 Cup Chopped Nuts
1/2 Cup Raisins
Mini M & Ms

Combine the peanut butter and the powdered milk until blended. Stir in honey, cocoa, vanilla, nuts, and raisins - in that order. Roll your mixture into small snake shapes. Add 2 mini M & Ms for eyes. Attach the Mini M & Ms with peanut butter. Place the snakes on wax paper on a cookie sheet and chill in the refrigerator until very firm.

SONGS

EENCY WEENCY RATTLER (to tune of "Eency Weency Spider)

The Eency Weency Rattler
Was hiding in a spout.
Out came the farmer and scared the rattler out.
Out came the momma and bit him on the shin
And the Eency Weency Rattler
Is in the spout again.

The Eency Weency Rattler
Crawled in a lady's shoe.
The lady took a peek and the rattler hollered,
"BOO!"
After all the screaming the rattler had a grin
And the Eency Weency Rattler
Hid in the spout again.

COBRA'S IN THE WELL! (to tune of "The Farmer in the Dell")

The cobra's in the well!
The cobra's in the well!
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The cobra's in the well!

repeat with following verses
Let's throw the guy a rope!
He grabbed it with his fang!...
He's crawling up the rope!...
Oh, who threw him in?...
The rattler threw him in?..
The rattler's in the well!...

FINGERPLAYS

SNAKE!

Here's a box (Make a fist as if holding a bunch of flowers)
And here's a lid. (Cover with palm of other hand)
I wonder whatever inside is hid. (Pause and peek)
Why, it's a SNAKE! (Quickly throw up hands)

SNAKES

(form snakes with arms)

A boa constrictor (wiggle left hand)
May look like his sister (wiggle right hand)
But don't make a fatal mistake (wiggle both "no")
A boa constrictor (wiggle left hand)
May look like his sister (wiggle right hand)
And still be a dangerous snake (wiggle both "yes")

BOA CONSTRICTOR

(touch each part of body as indicated in rhyme)

I'm Being swallowed by a boa constrictor and I don't like it one bit
Oh no, he swallowed my toe.
Oh gee, he swallowed my knee.
Oh my, he swallowed my thigh.
Oh nelly, he swallowed my belly.
Oh bolder, he swallowed my shoulder.
Oh dread, he swallowed my head.
I've been swallowed by a boa constrictor,
And I don't like it ONE BIT!

I AM A SNAKE

I have no legs. I have no arms (arms down close to body)
I can take off my skin (pretend to pull off skin)
I wiggle my tongue like this (wiggle tongue)
I'm very, very thin (hands on ribs, slide them down)
I can open my mouth so wide (open mouth)
And eat my dinner whole (rub tummy)
I can curl up nice and tight, (squat down low)
Or stretch out like a pole (stretch up tall)

SNAKE BOOKS

J 398.2 ATA	Ata	Baby Rattlesnake
J 398.2 CZE	Czernecki	Singing Snake
J 597.9 - J 597.96		This section has book about snakes
J 818 HAL	Hall	Sims Taback's Great Big Book Of Spacey, Snakey, Buggy Riddles
J 818 BUR	Burns	Snakes Alive – Jokes About Snakes
E ARNOSKY	Arnosky	Rattlesnake Dance
E ARNOSKY	Arnosky	Coyote Raid In Cactus Canyon
E ARUEGO	Aruego	Last Laugh
E BAKER	Baker	Hide And Snake
E BERNSTROM	Bernstrom	One Day In The Eucalyptus, Eucalyptus Tree
E BURELL	Burell	Diamond Jim Dandy And The Sheriff
E CANNON	Cannon	Verdi
E COXE	Coxe	Great Snake Escape
E DAVOL	Davol	Snake's Tales
E DAVIES	Davies	I Don't Like Snakes
E FRAZIER	Frazier	Hank Finds Inspiration
E FRAZIER	Frazier	Stanley Mows The Lawn
E GRAY	Gray	Small Green Snake
E GREENBERG	Greenberg	Snakes!
E GUTMAN	Gutman	Class Pet Mess
E HAYES	Hayes	Gum Chewing Rattler
E HAYES	Hayes	My Pet Rattlesnake
E HEILBRONER	Heilbroner	Pet Named Sneaker
E HINDLEY	Hindley	Into The Jungle
E JACKSON	Jackson	Danny Diamondback
E JARMAN	Jarman	Class Two At The Zoo
E JOHNSTON	Johnston	Slither McCreep And His Brother, Joe
E JONELL	Jonell	I Need A Snake
E JOOSSE	Joosse	Wally Wants To Hug
E KANG	Kang	I Am (Not) Scared
E KELLER	Keller	Help! A Story Of Friendship
E KIMMEL	Kimmel	Little Britches And The Rattlers
E KIMURA	Kimura	999 Frogs Wake Up
E KUDRNA	Kudrna	To Bathe A Boa
E MARSHALL	Marshall	Willis
E MARSHALL	Marshall	Snake, His Story
E MCGUIRE	McGuire	If I Had A Snake
E MCKEE	McKee	Elmer And The Snake
E NOBLE	Noble	Jimmy's Boa & The Big Splash Birthday Bash
E NOBLE	Noble	Jimmy's Boa & The Bungee Jump Slam

E NOBLE	Noble	Dunk
E NOBLE	Noble	Jimmy's Boa Bounces Back
E PAUL	Paul	Day Jimmy's Boa Ate The Wash
E PAUL	Paul	Count On Culebra
E PROVENCHER	Provencher	Fiesta Fiasco
E ROSENTHAL	Rosenthal	Slithery Jake
E SHANNON	Shannon	I'll Save You Bobo!
E SHANNON	Shannon	April Showers
E SPOHN	Spohn	Lizard's Home
E SPOHN	Spohn	Turtle And Snake Go Camping
E STRETE	Strete	Turtle And Snake's Day At The Beach
E TATE	Tate	Rattlesnake Who Went To School
E WALSH	Walsh	Claire And The Friendly Snakes
E WAX	Wax	Mouse Count
E WEINBERG	Weinberg	Arlo Makes A Friend
E WILLEMS	Willems	You Must Be This Tall
E WILLIAMS	Williams	Can I Play Too?
E ZIEFERT	Ziefert	Pick A Pet, Gus!
		Lunchtime For A Purple Snake

SOUND RECORDINGS

J 782.42 PAL Hap Palmer's Animal Antics (Cobra)

DVDS

J 791.43 OCT Here Come The Octonauts (Sea Snakes)
 J 791.43 RUD Rudyard Kipling's Rikki-Tikki-Tavi

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