

ROCKIN' THE RODEO WITH Dianehavens@gmail.com--PTAC summer 2022

These activities can be used as an end of year celebration or during Rodeo season. Depending on children's age—each activity can be a station. Change when music stops.

1. Rodeo parade: using surveyors' tape as flags, (bought on a roll at Lowes, etc.) have the children hold 2 flags & march around using motions: rainbows, sweep, wipers, wiggles, up & down, side to side, overhead circles, jump rope, etc.
2. Chuck wagon races: can use beach towels pulled by partner, scooters w/ropes, or step stools pulled w/rope. Child can pull a stuffed animal in their stool with a rope.
3. Roping animals: using hoops, have children toss hoops onto pretend horse (stick horse in cone, laminated horse on floor, etc.)
4. Lasso: made out of pantyhose (cut hose in ½, wad up another hose to stuff inside, tie off & repeat) Hose are free: send \$25 for shipping to: Hanes Brand Inc.; Attn: Nancy Terry (nancy.terry@hanes.com); 1904 Clark Rd; Box 669; Clarksville, AR 72830). Can circle arm overhead like a helicopter & throw; circle in front of body-throw to ceiling, tic toc, twisters.
5. Boot Kickin'—using empty plastic lg. coke containers, milk jugs, plastic bowling pins—place a line near a wall using carpenters' tape and have the children kick the boot 'over the fence'.
6. Barrel racing—using ½ noodles, have the children go in a figure 8 in & out of cones while galloping.
7. Cow patty pitching—using beanbags and hoops, try to toss the beanbag into the hoop.
8. Calf Scramble—toss the ball pit type balls (calves) and have the children collect them w/cups or 'whatzits' (www.USGames, \$12 for 6, giant shuttlecocks)
9. Jump the fence—place a line using carpenters' tape in middle of playing area. Have all the children line up on one side of room. When you say the magic words 'over the fence', they run & jump over the line to the other side. IE: A big dog barked, and I ran & jumped 'over the fence'; A bull chased me & I jumped 'over the fence'. My hat blew off and I jumped 'over the fence'. (Great for storytelling & language development)
10. Horse riding—give each child a ½ noodle for his horse. Give it a name. Gallop around the room on their horse. When you signal or turn music off, tell them that their horse has a secret and put their noodle to their ear. What? You need blue water---then take the horse to a blue color for a drink. (Yellow hay, green apple, red apple, etc. white sugar cube)
11. Cleaning up horse poo poo—After eating all that food, horses have to poo poo. Toss out the cut up noodles and have them sweep them up with a ½ noodle (broom)
12. Roundup—Have each child with a tail (pantyhose, scarf, etc) stuck in their trousers or top of dress. You are 'it'. You must round up all the horses and place them in the corral. On signal, chase the children & grab their tails. If tail lost, they must take their tail & go to the corral. From time to time say 'escape'. Or you can say, when another horse enters the corral, you may go out. Or, once in corral, put tail back in and go out again!!! Your choice!!! Key is activity!!!

Have a Yee Hii great time!!!