

FAMILY DRAWING



Purpose:

- Encourages development of:
 - Creativity
 - Self expression
 - Communication skills
 - Ability to express feelings
- To learn more about their world (family).

Requirements:

- Sheets of plain paper
- Crayons, texta pens

Format:

- Ask children to find a comfortable place.
- Ask children to draw a picture of their family.
- When they have finished, each child takes a turn to tell the group about their picture.
- It's important that the child explains their picture. We are interested in what meaning they place on it. **DO NOT INTERPRET IT FOR THEM.**
- Listen for themes/patterns that may be helpful for you to know as you work with the child.
- To understand more about their picture, ask questions about what you notice in the drawing, eg.

"I notice you have used red to draw each person, except for this person here. Are they green for a reason? Tell me about that."

"This person looks happy and the others seem to be sad. What's happening here?"

"You've drawn a dog in the picture. Tell me about the dog."

