

TV Turnoff Week Suggested Activities  
for *The Things A String Can Be*  
(by Julie Goulis, BubblegumBooks.com)

Some Vocabulary Words:

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| Peeked      | scuba   |
| Fluffy      | explore |
| Imagination | special |
| Finally     | bounce  |
| Twinkle     | loop    |
| Stretch     | invite  |
| Escape      |         |

Some Activities:

Language/Literacy:

- ☺ Letter Fishing – Tie a string to a magnet and fish for letters: children can name the letters that they caught; or match upper and lower case letters
- ☺ Dictate stories about what the children are doing with their families or what they could do with a string

Creative Arts:

- ☺ Paint with string or yarn
- ☺ Make a string or yarn collage
- ☺ Make string creatures, people, or flowers with string and glue.
- ☺ Make ornaments and hang them from the trees outside.

Math:

- ☺ Measure a variety of objects with string or yarn and compare the length
- ☺ Roll a ball of yarn or string from one child to another while they are sitting in a circle and make a spider web.
- ☺ Use string or yarn with the geo-boards.
- ☺ Make string shapes

Blocks:

- ☺ Build a suspension bridge in the block area

Science:

- ☺ Make a string telephone with string and cups
- ☺ Make a string machine

Music:

- ☺ Make string instruments and have an orchestra

Fine and Gross Motor:

- ☺ String beads
- ☺ Jump rope or play high/low (hold jump rope a little above the ground between two people; have children jump over the rope; once all children have jumped over the rope at the initial height, slightly raise the rope and have them try again. Continue raising the rope until the children cannot jump over it. Then, they can crawl under it.)