

Drawing is Important for Your Child's Development

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Abstract

Child's growth and development is a parent's full attention, especially when the child is in the golden age. According to experts on mental development of children, 80 percent of children's brains develop in the golden age. So at that time, the role of parents is needed in monitoring the growth and development of children's brains.

During the golden age the child's brain develops so quickly that any information will be absorbed, without seeing the information is good or bad. In addition to playing a role as a supervisor for the growth and development of children, parents must also be tasked with increasing knowledge, especially around child growth.

One of the activities that can be trained to children in increasing knowledge while providing stimulus to the child's growth and development process is drawing.

Connecting lines and joining dots in the pursuit of making a drawing requires a certain level of problem solving. In order for a child to consciously draw an object, they first need to visualize the shape and then work out the best way to reproduce it on paper. The problem-solving skills that children develop from drawing will also transfer over to

other subjects like maths, where visual representations can often help in finding a solution.

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INTRODUCTION

Why Drawing is Important for Your Child's Development. One of the first things a child can do is pick up a pencil and start drawing. And as new technologies are becoming much more accessible to children and their families, they bring with them new ways to learn important creative skills. We see drawing as one of the most fundamental of these skills – here are just some of the reasons why ¹⁾

Drawing makes children more expressive. Children can't always express themselves using words and actions, so drawing is another important form of communication. You can gain an insight into your child's thoughts and feelings through their drawings. Being able to express what they feel also boosts a child's emotional intelligence.

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It enhances your child's motor skills. From a small scribble to a masterpiece that takes pride of place on the fridge, drawing can enhance your child's motor skills from a young age. Starting them as

¹⁾ <https://www.minilabstudios.com/why-drawing-is-important-for-your-childs-development/>

early as possible will help them improve their hand and eye coordination, while fine-tuning their finger muscles. Try our dot to dot app Artie's Magic Pencil to help with this. Our little artistic hero can help little ones build confidence in their creative skills. 'If you can draw these simple shapes then you can draw anything!'

ESSENTIAL

According to Lubard Ochse (Widyasari, 2011: 1) Creativity is the ability to think about things in new and unusual ways produce a unique solution to a problem. Creativity itself have a new perspective, which is original, unexpected, useful, and adaptive to task constraints drawing is one of the basic development fields for prepared by the teacher to develop the ability of children's creativity in accordance with the stages. Since early childhood has been introduced draw. ²)

Drawing is an art that so far still is demanded by many groups, drawing is always synonymous with kindergarten children, because children draw not only learning but also playing.

In early childhood children like to imitate so educators are in provide drawing learning if only with media explanations pictures of many children who do not pay attention, talk to themselves with his friend, according to him it was not interesting, in general the child difficulties in drawing especially in terms of imitating images.

This is due to children feel unable to draw, besides the child's interest in terms of drawing less, by looking at these conditions the researcher take

²) http://eprints.ums.ac.id/30195/2/01_BAB_I.pdf

the title to develop children's creativity through drawing by looking at real objects, researchers take the first step in learning activities to draw by looking at real objects, namely the teacher give examples of pictures on the board, posters, television and garden media.

IDENTITY PROBLEM

The influences of media on children, it is critical to remember their age and developmental stage. Children's cognitive, emotional, physical and social skills develop as they go through life. As they grow and mature, their needs, abilities, interests and challenges change. The child's development has direct implications to the way she or he may be able to benefit from media. For example, the older children get, the longer their attention span grows. ³⁾

So while toddlers may be able to listen to a story for only a few minutes at a time, preschoolers may be more attentive and older children stay attuned for much longer. Similarly, while younger children may be able to comprehend very simple language and concrete images, older children are able to process more complicated linguistic and visual expressions.

Various psychological theories on human development are based on the concept of "stage". The key to stage theories is the understanding of stages as unique periods of development, with each stage typified by its own special behavioral and cognitive characteristics. According to child development and psychological research, all individuals progress through the same stages in a fixed chronological order, although genetic

³⁾ [https://www.unicef.org/cwc/files/CwC_Final_Nov-2011\(1\).pdf](https://www.unicef.org/cwc/files/CwC_Final_Nov-2011(1).pdf)

and/or environmental factors can speed up or slow down the rate from one stage to another.

Stages are perceived to be both hierarchical and integrative. This means that more advanced stages are based on earlier ones and advancement results in a “reorganizing” of various skills. Furthermore, these stages are also perceived as universal: Though children grow up in very different cultures and environments and possess very different genetic maps, they seem to generally proceed through the same stages in the same order.

There are various stage theories that highlight cognitive, physical, emotional, social and moral child development. More current theories, based on new research in child development, demonstrate that children have better capabilities and understanding than was previously thought. The new research challenges the concept of stage and offers alternative ways of explaining developmental differences.

BENEFITS

The benefits of drawing and coloring for children aged 0 to 5 years - Age 0-5 years in children is often referred to as the golden age stage (golden age). Golden age is a period where the growth and development of children is good. ⁴

Direction to children will greatly affect this golden age so that its growth and development will be well directed. In addition, during this golden age, children will more easily absorb what parents and their environment

⁴) <https://balimentari.com/manfaat-menggambar-dan-mewarnai-bagi-anak-usia-0-hingga-5-tahun/>

teach. If parents and their environment do good things when he is in the golden age, then the habit will carry over until he grows up.

Likewise, when he gets a lot of negative influence from his environment, it will be bad behavior that he will have and is likely to continue to have until an adult. Now one of the activities that you can give to your baby aged 0-5 years is drawing and coloring.

There are many benefits from this coloring drawing exercise, we from Bali the sun have tried to summarize from several sources, the benefits of which can be an excuse to teach children to practice drawing and coloring from an early age. following are:

Few activities come as naturally to young children as drawing. Whether your child's medium is chalk on a sidewalk or crayons on printer paper, he or she likely enjoys the act of creating art. Along with other forms of expression like dance and storytelling, drawing has numerous developmental benefits. In this blog, we list six reasons to encourage your child to draw at home, in daycare, and in school.⁵⁾

1. Develops Fine Motor Skills

Fine motor skills include any specialized movement of the hands, wrists, and fingers. As an adult, you rely on fine motor skills when you type, drive, or even text. It's important for your child to develop strong fine motor skills at a young age.

Holding and manipulating writing implements represents one of the best ways to improve a child's fine motor skills. Drawing creates immediate

⁵⁾ <https://kidscountryinc.com/2016/07/21/6-benefits-drawing-time-children/>

visual feedback that changes depending on the tool your child uses and how he or she uses it. This feedback helps your child identify the best ways to produce the desired result.

2. Encourages Visual Analysis

Young children do not yet understand some concepts that you may take for granted, such as distance, size comparison, and textural differences. Drawing provides the perfect opportunity for your child to learn these concepts in a deliberate way.

Having a child draw specific items, especially in relationship to each other, can help him or her perform fundamental visual analysis of everyday spaces. To support this kind of drawing at home, prompt your child to draw examples of big and small, rough and smooth, far and near, and so on.

3. Helps Establish Concentration

Because most children enjoy drawing, this activity provides time to establish the concepts of concentration and practice. These concepts will be essential to your child's academic success, even in elementary school.

Learning how to observe small details, concentrate on achieving a specific result, and practice tricky tasks helps your child mature.

4. Improves Hand-Eye Coordination

In addition to improving fine motor skills, drawing enables your child to draw connections between what he or she sees and what he or she does. This hand-eye coordination is important in athletic and recreational

situations, as well as in academic scenarios such as penmanship lessons.

For a hand-eye coordination boost, have your child draw an object while looking at it or copy a drawing that you made.

5. Increases Individual Confidence

As a parent or guardian, you probably love to hear the phrase, “Look what I made!” When your child has an opportunity to create physical representations of his or her imagination, thoughts, and experiences, he or she gains confidence.

Drawing can help your child feel more intrinsic motivation, self-worth, and validity. This affirmation will make him or her more confident in other areas that may not come as naturally as drawing.

6. Teaches Creative Problem Solving

Along with visual analysis and concentration, drawing encourages your child to solve problems creatively. When he or she draws, your child must determine the best way to connect body parts, portray emotions, and depict specific textures.

Providing specific drawing tasks, such as creating a family portrait, and talking about your child’s color, method, or special choices can help him or her develop stronger problem solving skills over time.

To help your child feel motivated to draw and create, use positive reinforcement. You may want to display finished drawings in your child’s room or in other areas of your home, include personalized drawings in

letters to family members, and praise your child for practice and specific achievements.

Encourage your little one to draw throughout his or her childhood to reap all the benefits listed above.

CONCLUSION

Do not underestimate the activities of drawing and coloring for young children. For some parents, drawing and coloring activities may be somewhat ignored and they focus more on reading and arithmetic. The reason, reading and counting more clearly the benefits for the future of children, especially in terms of academics.

In fact, there are many benefits of drawing and coloring for children that will support the academic and non-academic potential of children in their adult years. Collected from various sources, let's take a peek, what are the benefits of drawing and coloring for children.

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