

Milk Bottle Elephants

Teach your young people all about diversity and equality with this great craft activity using a plastic milk bottle.

How?

Before the activity you will need to collect plastic milk bottles. Collecting different sized bottles and coloured lids will help with explaining diversity.

To start with you will need to cut the bottle level with the handle. We will be using the top half of the bottle. It would be best for this to be done beforehand by a leader.



Materials:

- Plastic milk bottle
- Scissors
- Glue
- Glue spreaders
- Coloured tissue paper
- Googly eyes

Next you will need to cut up squares of coloured tissue paper. Using lots of different colours will help make the elephant look great. Again you can either do this before hand or let your young people do it.

Once you have done this you can now start sticking the squares

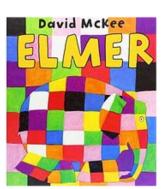
onto the bottle with glue until they are happy.

Whilst your young people are doing this you can discus how the elephants they are making are all look slightly different and are different sizes and colours—Just

like human beings. However whilst we are all different, we are still all created in God's image and made unique by him. Therefore we should treat everyone equally regardless of colour, size, shape and ability.

Taking it a step further:

This will link in really well with the story book - 'Elmer the Patchwork Elephant', which explores the topics of diversity and acceptance. This may be suited more to the Anchor age. If you have the time then why not read them the story also.



Details:

Age - Anchors / Juniors

Cost - Around £5

Time - 15 Minutes

Difficulty - 2/5



