

In the following lesson, student will explore aspects of dinosaurs with literacy activities, through art and dance. Students will have an opportunity to create their own story about a Dinosaur and share their story in front of the class

They will also use fine motor skills to create their own dinosaur out of play dough creating a "playdou-a-saur" and explore dance and drama.

Objectives: - The students will have an opportunity to create their own story about a Dinosaur and share their story in front of the class

- Children will use fine motor skills to create their own dinosaur out of play dough creating a "playdou-a-saur"
- Children will explore dance and drama

Teaching Procedure: Introduction:

- Introduce the topic of dinosaurs Have children find their "carpet squares" (personal spaces) and have a seat in front of the class
- Read "The Giant Book Of Dinosaurs" by Butterscotch Books -(ask
 questions such as, "What do you think this book is going to be about? What do you think will
 happen in this story?)
- After the story, talk with the children to remind them of all the different kinds of dinosaurs in the story. Explain that they will be creating playdough-a-saurs and a story about them
- Have children go to their seats and with play dough create their own dinosaur friend If children finish early, have them start the *next step*
- (Next step) Have children create a story about their dinosaurs on a piece of paper using crayons, markers or both
 - Let the children write out their stories (If they need help writing, write down their exact words that they say within their story)
 - After everyone has finished their stories, have all the students come back to the front of the class with their carpet squares.
- Have the children introduce their Dino-Friend and take turns reading their story in front of the class.
- After everyone has had a turn, have them return their stories and Dino-Friends to their cubbies (or desks) Introduce a piece of music
- Ask the children to think of how they think their Dino-Friend dances
- Have all the children dance just like their Dino-Friend

Development:

- Teachers will present a story. Students will explore with playdough. Students will create their

own stories about their playdou-a-saurs.

Conclusion:

Students will read their stories to the class demonstrating their knowledge of the subjects. Students explored through art and dance different aspects of dinosaurs.

Assessment:

- Observe the children's playdough-a-saurs to see the complexity that the child completed it in. Keep the dino-stories for portfolio evaluation.