

Book title: Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!

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Supplies for activities needed:

- Paper
- Glue
- Crayons
- Paint
- Paint Brush
- Scissors
- Paper Plate
- Beads or PomPoms

Activity One: Paper Plate Pigeon

- School Readiness Outcomes (SRO) goals met:
  - Identifying some letters and numbers
  - Working on complex projects with familiar adults while sharing labor and following rules
  - Showing interest in simple use of materials/activities
- Instructions
  1. Cut paper plate in half
  2. Take piece of paper and draw an oval shape out big enough to be the pigeons head and then cut it out
  3. Draw a triangle small enough for the beak and cut and glue beak to large oval.
  4. Cut out a skinny rectangle for the neck of the pigeon
  5. Glue head to rectangle then glue the other side of the rectangle to top edge of the paper plate
  6. Then paint and decorate pigeon!
  7. Next, your child can take ten beads and drop them on top of the pigeon

8. Have them count how many have landed on the pigeon as well as try to have them announce the letters that they recognize on the pigeon.

#### Extension Activity Ideas

- If using the alphabet beads, children can look at the letters that landed on the pigeon and try to make words that they recognize from them.



We had the help from A Little Pinch of Perfect (<https://alittlepinchofperfect.com/pigeon-paper-plate-craft-and-printable/>) for this activity!

## Activity Two: Handprint Pigeon

- School Readiness Outcomes (SRO) goals met:
  - Copying or Writing Identifiable Letters
  - Is able to identify sequence in an activity or story
  - Showing interest in simple use of materials/activities
- Instructions:
  1. Take out a blank piece of paper
  2. Have an adult paint child's hand
  3. Stick hand on paper so that fingers are facing sideways
  4. After paint dries, draw an oval shape on top of the thumb for the pigeon's head and add a beak and eye
  5. At the bottom of the hand, add legs
  6. At the top of the paper, write out 'Pigeon' or whatever name they wish!
  7. Next, get another sheet of blank paper
  8. Have adult paint child's hand again and stick on paper
  9. After paint dries, draw wheels, a door, and windows to make a bus on the hand
  10. Cut out the pigeon and bus and glue popsicle sticks to the back of them to use as puppets
  11. Have child reenact the story with their puppets!
- Extension Activity Ideas
  - If child wishes, they can make the bus driver as a puppet by drawing him to add to the story



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