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Here's some fun Easter activities for you to try with your child. These activities all focus on visual perceptual, visual motor, sensory, fine motor, and handwriting skills.

VISUAL PERCEPTION/VISUAL MOTOR:

- **Easter Egg Hunt** – Find all 16 eggs hidden in the city. This can be printed in black and white, but will come out better in color. This worksheet is great for visual discrimination!

FINE MOTOR:

- **Make a Caterpillar** – String Fruit Loops or Cheerios together to make a caterpillar. Great bilateral skills, eye-hand coordination, pincer grasp, and work at midline.
 - **More difficult** – Fill a large bowl or cake pan with water. Put pennies in the container and use a spoon or spatula to scoop out the “gold coins” and drop into a bucket. *You can also have your child scoop out the pennies and drop into a piggy back to work on pincer grasp.
- **Egg Cut Out** – Have your child cut on the black lines to cut each egg out for the Easter basket. This is good for bilateral coordination and eye-hand coordination.
- **Ladybug** – Make ladybugs by cutting out half circles from red construction paper. Glue the half circles onto paper with the straight sides facing each other. The points at one end of the half circles should be touching and the points at the other end of the half circles pointing away from each other to form a (V) between the half circles. Now, use a hole puncher to punch out circles from black construction paper and glue on to the red half circles. Works on cutting, hand strength, directionality, problem solving, eye-hand coordination, and bilateral tasks.
- **Break an Egg** – Put pre-printed, cutout letters inside plastic eggs and hide them in your yard. Have your child hunt for the eggs. Use both hands to squeeze the middle of the egg to break it open. Take the paper out and match to letters you've written on pieces of paper.
 - **More difficult** – You can write the letters in upper and lowercase for letter recognition.
 - **Add gross motor and more visual scanning** – Write the letters randomly on your sidewalk or driveway in chalk. Now, your child has to look all over for the letters and it'll be even harder by writing some facing the other direction to work on form constancy.
 - **Add balance and control** – Have your child carry the eggs on a spoon to from one area to another with dropping it.

SENSORY:

- **I'm a butterfly!** – Use blankets to roll your child into a “cocoon” and squeeze. Then, unroll and repeat. This provide proprioceptive and vestibular input.
 - **More difficult** – Categorize the coins in the correct amounts.
- **Rainstick** – Make a rainstick by using a paper towel cardboard roll, birdseed or rice, and tape each end. Now shake like a tambourine. Good auditory input, problem solving, and eye-hand coordination to pour the rice or birdseed into the funnel.
 - **Add fine motor skills** – Have your child draw on a piece of paper, then wrap it around the paper towel roll and tape for decoration.

HANDWRITING:

- **Writing prompt** – Write a letter to a family member who you are unable to see for Easter this year. Tell them what you'll miss and what you would like to do for Easter next year.
- **Writing prompt** – Write a letter to the Easter bunny to explain where your house is and what the best places are to hide eggs. Don't forget to include where he should not put them so your parents don't get upset (like in your mom's flower garden).