



# Animal and Fruit Artist

Use the shapes and colors of fruit to create an animal snack.

## Helps Your Child Grow



### Creativity

Choosing how each fruit shape, size, or color can become part of an animal gives your child practice turning visible features into an imaginative design.

## Steps

- Set out a plate and several kinds of cut fruit. Look at the shapes and arrange a simple animal, such as a chick.
- Show your child the beginning of the picture and ask what animal it might become.
- When your child offers an idea, ask about one visible feature: “What could we use for the chick’s beak?”
- If no idea comes yet, offer two choices: “Would blueberries or banana slices make better eyes?” You can also model one thought: “The blueberry looks like an eye. What could be the beak?”
- Follow your child’s choice and invite them to place the fruit pieces.
- Admire the finished picture and describe one creative detail: “You used a triangle of orange for the beak.” Then enjoy the fruit snack together.

## Tips

- Pause after each question so your child has enough time to look, think, and respond.

## Observations

- Uses a fruit feature in the picture, such as choosing blueberries for eyes
- Uses sounds or movements to share an idea about the fruit picture