



Developing scissor skills

Activity card 6

Learning objective

Cutting shapes with turns eg squares, triangles.

Cutting zig - zags.

Skills to be taught:

Point out that the tips of the scissors must follow the line you are cutting along. Encourage the child to look at the point of the scissors.

Demonstrate how to line up the blades of the scissors along the line to be cut.

Encourage the child to hold the paper lightly with the free hand, near to where he/she will cut to avoid tearing. The card holding hand has to move to turn the card when the child has cut to the corner. Encourage the child to cut past the corner to allow room to manoeuvre the scissors round the corner.

Activities

Cut shapes for collage/cut and stick activities.

Cut zig-zag shapes along the top of a long strip of card to make crowns.

See attached shape cutting guides.