

ART AND LITERACY

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We tied art and literacy together by encouraging children to sculpt their favorite character from the book "Good Night Gorilla." Lourdes taught the children sculpting techniques like pinching, rolling, and using tools to make ears, legs, trunks, and eyes to add realism to their animals. We acted out the story with children taking turns being the gorilla who releases the animals from their cages who then follow him to the zookeeper's house and try to sleep in the house. In these playful ways they learn about story elements such as character and plot.

