Learn by Doing

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Choice Fruits to Share

Encourage children to share their "fruits" with others. Decorate a paper plate and use it to serve a fruit snack to your group. Cut out fruit shapes and glue (decoupage) them to a paper plate. Cover the entire project with plastic wrap. Fill the plate with fruit and serve!



1. We are going to use the talents the Lord gave us to prepare and serve His fruits to others!
2. We will start by creating a beautiful plate for serving. Hand each child a paper plate, *Fruit Shapes* (pp. 7-8) to cut out, and scissors.
3. First, choose fruit shapes you would like to put on your plate. Cut them out and arrange them on your plate.
4. As children complete step 3, give them a paintbrush to dip in the glue pot. Thoroughly glue the paper fruits to the plate, being careful not to rip or tear them with the brush. Seal all of the edges carefully with the glue. (This may take patience!)
5. *Optional*: Use a hairdryer to speed up the project drying time, or lay them in the sun. The glue does not have to be completely dry before you cover the project with plastic wrap.
6. Have the children wash their hands. Give each child enough plastic wrap or a plastic bag to completely cover both sides of the plate. Encourage children to work in pairs to using the plastic wrap easier.
7. Have each child fill his or her plate with a different kind of fruit and serve each other.

Materials for Each Child

paper plate (any color), scissors, *Fruit Shapes* (pp. 2-3) printed on white or colored paper, water-based glue, brushes, plastic wrap or a plastic bag large enough to fit over the plate, a "glue jar" to share, cut up fresh fruit or dried fruit, *optional*: crayons to color fruit, hair dryer

Prepare in Advance

Print *Fruit Shapes* on colored paper if possible. Cut pages apart so students can share different colors. Prepare a jar with diluted, water-based glue. Purchase fresh or dried fruit. Cut fresh fruit into serving-sized pieces.

Option: Serve Your Congregation

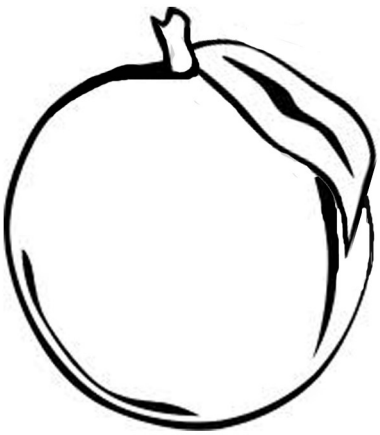
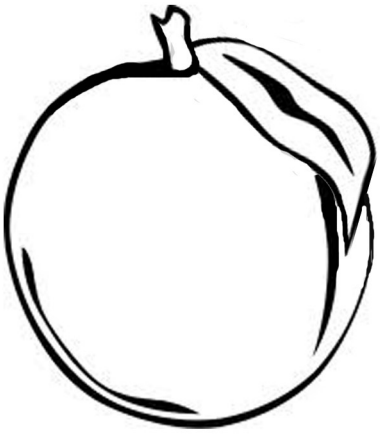
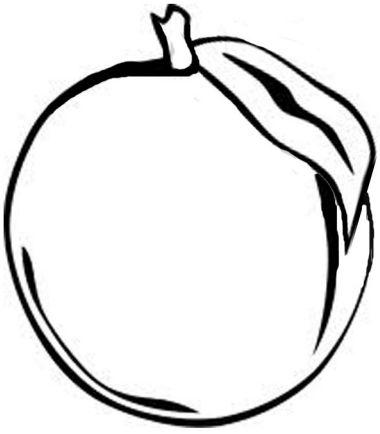
Decorate a large serving platter as a group instead of individual paper plates. Cut out fruit shapes. Fasten to the platter with little rolls of tape instead of gluing. Cover with plastic wrap. Cut up fruit and serve on the platter.

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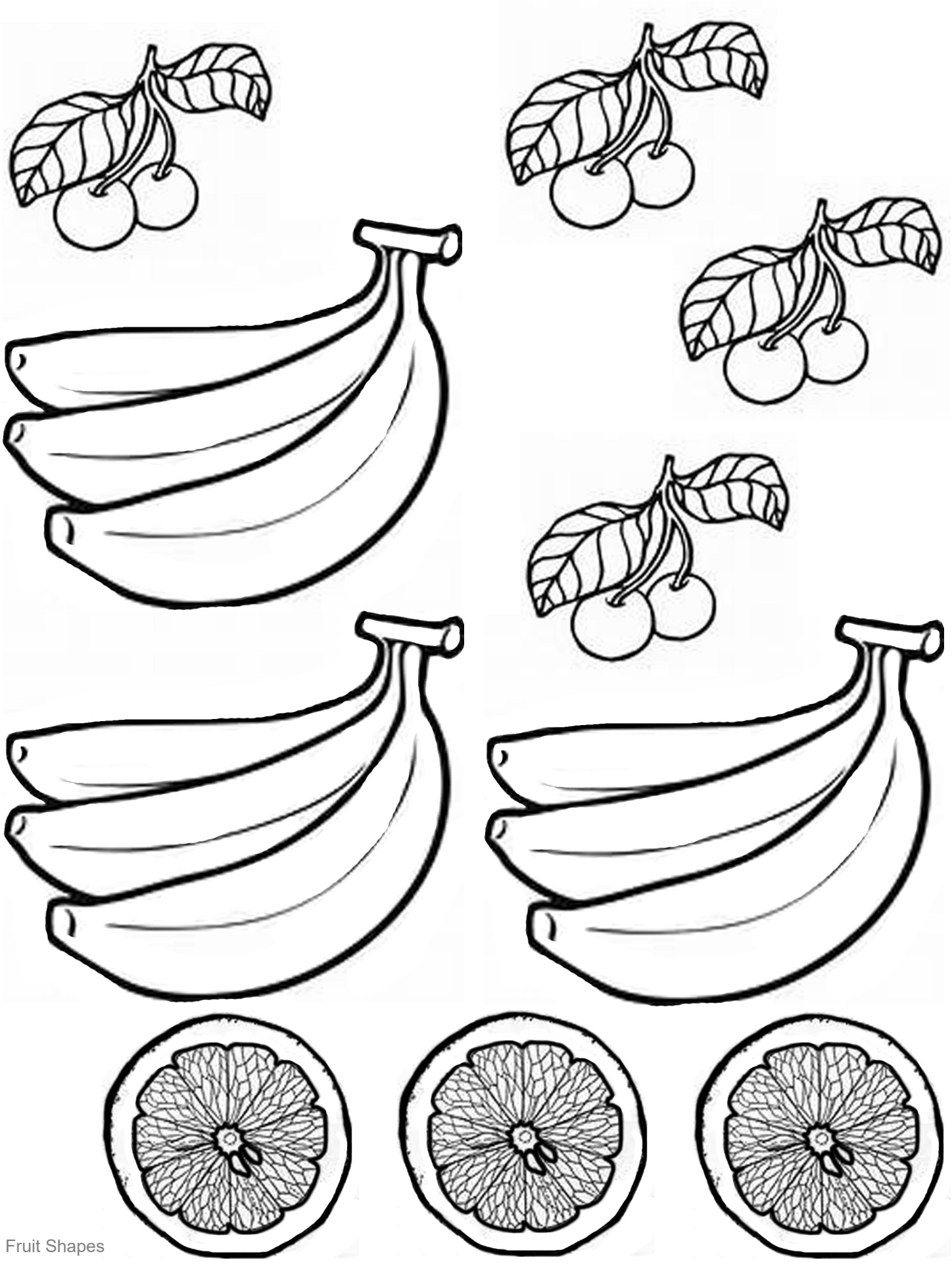




Fruit Shapes

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