

SWING INTO SPRING WITH STRINGS OF SPIRAL SPRINGS!

FOR PRESCHOOL AND PRIMARY GRADES

Materials:

Paper (preferably card stock) printed with a spiral pattern to fit the entire sheet, or paper plates with spiral patterns drawn on them.

Scissors

Crayons or washable markers for writing and decorating.



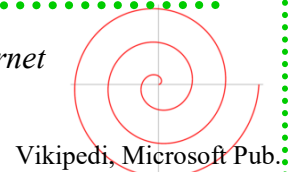
Directions:

1. Have children use markers or crayons to decorate or to write their names, speech/articulation practice words, vocabulary words or other targets inside the lines of their spiral patterns. (This is an easier task if done before cutting on the lines.)
2. Using scissors, students follow teacher directions to cut along the long, winding line. They will need to turn the paper as they cut, because they will be cutting in a circular pattern.

Teachers can string a line in a doorway or along a wall so the children can tape up their "springs" to hang freely. Use either end to tape them. I find that by using the outer end piece, the spirals spring and hang more freely.

See the spring language expansion list for discussion ideas and vocabulary to include in this activity. © Susanne Marie Poulette, CCC-SLP, 2018 www.wholebodylistening.org

Many clip art spiral patterns can be downloaded for free on Bing Images and internet sites for teachers. Here is an example from Microsoft Office Publisher 2007.



Maine's PowerSleuth Energy Education Curriculum companion website offers a downloadable spiral pattern for teachers at:

<http://www.powersleuth.org/docs/EHM%20Les%205%20Spiral%20HO.pdf>