How-to

Top 25 supplies for on-the-spot STEAM PBL activities

It’s a great idea to always be ready for on-the-spot STEAM-infused PBL activities in your classroom. Here is a list of the top 25 items that you should have in your storage cabinet to begin an activity in a pinch:

1. Card stock
2. Tongue depressors
3. Paper clips
4. Rubber bands (various sizes)
5. Colored pencils and markers
6. Empty paper towel and toilet paper rolls
7. Balloons (different sizes, but medium-to-large balloons work the best)
8. String (fishing line, box string and clothesline)
9. Clear tape
10. Duct tape
11. Masking tape
12. Paper lunch bags
13. Classroom set of scissors
14. Selection of assorted color file folders (letter or legal)
15. Boxes of regular facial tissues
16. Toilet paper
17. Several empty 250-ml plastic water bottles with bottle caps
18. Nails (different sizes)
19. Several hammers, screwdrivers and needle-nose pliers
20. Empty cardboard boxes of various sizes
21. Wooden skewers
22. Straight and bendy straws
23. Various plastic bags (store bags, gallon-, quart- and lunch-size bags)
24. Pipe cleaners
25. Glue sticks

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