

Ann's Creative Corner

Project #193 Shadow Painting/Drawing

- Take a photo of a shadow, save and print it.
- With paint, charcoal, felts, crayons or pencils, try to recreate it on paper
- For younger children and Toddlers, make it very simple.
- Ideas for younger children are a shadow of a simple object such as a kite, balloon, shapes, books etc.
- For creating a scene such as trees or grass, try to get a photo of those shadows in the early evening or morning.
- As shown below, you may find shadows on your walls.
- Another idea is to have the child sit very still by a wall and thus creating a shadow.
- You may take a photo of this as well.
- You could also take the time to trace the child's shadow on a piece of paper taped to the wall. This may be done with children that are 4 and up if they can sit motionless for a short time period.

Activity: Shadow play.

- Take a thin plain white sheet.
- Place a flashlight behind it or a lamp.
- Make shapes with your hand and fingers.
- Make shadow play with your entire body.
- Have two or three children do the shadow play together.
- Guess the shadows.

