Cutting Grids

Domain:
- Fine Motor, Language, Cognitive

Objectives:
- Child will hold scissors correctly.
- Child will open and close scissors while making small cuts in the paper.
- Child will hold or turn paper while cutting.
- Child will cut along a straight line.
- Child will cut a circle.
- Child will identify objects and characters from the story.
- Child will use objects and characters from the story to sequence and retell the story.

Materials:
- Cutting Grid reproducible pages
- Scissors
- Heavy paper/construction paper

Instructions:
- Teacher will reproduce cutting grid on construction paper or other sturdy paper.
- Pre-cut grids in vertical rows (one inch strips).
- Encourage children to hold scissors in the correct position to cut along the one-inch horizontal line.
- Encourage children to name object or character.

Suggestions:
- Children can choose this activity to practice cutting skills during center time.
- Teachers can copy this grid twice and use as a matching game.
- Teachers can copy this grid multiple times to create a bingo game.
- Using construction paper or other sturdy paper helps children with beginning cutting skills.
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- Cake with cherry on top
- Cherry pie
- Ice cream cone
- Watermelon slice
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