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COMO FRIENDS' VIRTUAL ANNUAL SUMMER BENEFIT FOR COMO PARK ZOO AND CONSERVATORY ACTIVITY BOOK FOR KIDS
PAPER WATER LILY EXPERIMENT

This simple experiment will show kids how wilted flowers open up and straighten up again using paper water lilies as a model.
What you need:
Paper – regular computer paper will do  
Crayons  
Scissors  
Bowl of water

What to do:
1. Draw and color flowers. Flowers should have a circle in the middle, with six petals on the sides. See the photo for an example. Make sure the petals are about half the size of the middle diameter.

2. Fold all the leaves in. See the photo example.

3. Place the folded lilies in a bowl of water and watch them unfold!

4. Why do the lilies unfold? Paper is a thin material made up of tiny fibers woven together, and the water is drawn into those spaces and causes the paper to swell. This is called capillary action!
PAINTING WITH CHLOROPHYLL

Chlorophyll is the green pigment in plants that absorbs light and provides energy for photosynthesis, or a plant’s food production. This activity combines art and science and is a creative way to learn about plants.
What you need:
10 or so plant leaves (non-waxy leaves work best. Try dandelions or spinach!) Tree template (on next page) Metal spoon

What to do:
1. Print the template on page 6. This will be your tree trunk

2. Fold the paper in half, with the leaves in between the fold.

3. Press on the leaves between the folded paper

4. Using a metal spoon, rub the top of the folded paper, with the leaves sandwiched between.

5. Alternatively, you can also ball-up the leaves in your hands and use them as a paintbrush.

6. You have “painted” leaves on your tree!

7. Do certain leaves work better than others and release more chlorophyll? Why or why not?
Japanese Garden Word Search

Meditation  Reflection  Waterfall  Asymmetry
Ornaments  Technique  Teahouse  Lanterns
Gravel  Stroll  Pines  Path
Rocks  Bridges  Pruning  Koi
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