# (B) Activities of Interest

## 1. Making a hat from old newspapers

**Tools and materials :** Old newspapers, large sized coloured paper, a big colourful wall calendar, other decorative items, scissors, glue, etc.

#### **Procedure**

- 1. Take the two joint pages of a newspaper or a large sheet of coloured paper folded at the centre.
- 2. Find the centre point of the long folded side of the paper. Now lift the corners of this closed side and fold the paper inwards till the centre point.
- 3. Now press the folds into place. From here onwards follow the actions shown in the pictures below to finish making the hat.
- 4. Flip the paper over and fold both the corners inwards.
- 5. Fold the extra strip below, upwards and fix it in place.
- 6. Complete the hat as shown in the pictures below.



Arrange an exhibition of the decorative hats made by the children.

## 2. Making tassels and decorative hangings using strings, threads and beads

**Tools and materials:** String, beads of various sizes, shapes and colours, a thick paper dish or round piece of cardboard, thick thread, an old comb, the old gasket of a pressure cooker or other large ring, bangles, needle, scissors, glue, etc.

#### Procedure 1

### (A) Making the tassels

- 1. Take square cardboard piece of  $4 \times 4$  cm size. Wrap the thick thread around it 10 to 12 times or more if necessary.
- 2. Pull the wrapped thread up from both ends and tie the loops together tightly.
- 3. Separate the loops of thread from the cardboard piece, tie it and cut it as shown in the picture.
- 4. Use an old comb to comb out the fibres of the threads in the loops to make a pretty fluffy tassel.
- 5. Make tassels of various sizes by the same method.
- 6. Tassels can be made from woolen yarn of various colours instead of string/thread.

#### Procedure 2

### (B) Using tassels, beads and thread to make a decorative hanging

- 1. Wrap string/thread around the gasket and the bangles and cover them.
- 2. String some beads on a thread and decorate the middle of the bangle or gasket.
- 3. String together the beads and tassels to make it look decorative. Make pairs of such decorative strings of varied lengths. Hang them from the decorated ring or gasket in the order of their lengths.
- 4. Tie strings on the upper side of the ring, bring them together to make a hook for hanging.
- 5. Use mirrors and sequins to decorate your hanging further.





### My Activity

Make various kinds of tassels and hangings. Draw an artistic picture and decorate it with beads and string.

Give proper guidance to the children as they make the tassels and hangings.