

Snoopy & His Peanuts Friends

Description of Program

The Peanuts Comic Strip by Charles Schulz debuted on October 2, 1950. Stories, games, crafts, and activities will celebrate the event. Suggested ages 3-10 with an adult.

Program Plans Begin the program with stations set up for crafts, coloring pages, and activities (10-15 minutes). Play PowerPoint Peanuts trivia game. Read Snoopy or Peanuts books. Instruct the group on drawing Peanuts characters. End the program with activities, games, and snacks.

Stories

- Schulz, Charlie. *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown*. Adapted by Justine and Ron Fontes. New York: Little Simon, 2001.
- Schulz, Charles. *It's the First Day of School!* New York: HarperFestival, 1996.
- Schulz, Charlie. *Lucy Must Be Traded*. Adapted by Justine and Ron Fontes. New York: Little Simon, 2004.

Songs/ Fingerplays/ PowerPoint

- Trivia Game: Create a PowerPoint trivia game about the Peanuts characters for all to play.

Craft Ideas

- Snoopy mobile
- Peanuts puppets: Print Peanuts characters and have the children cut them out, color them, and attach to craft sticks. After the puppets are completed, play "Peanuts" music and have everyone dance and wave about their puppets. Snoopy Masks can also be purchased from (www.celebrateexpress.com).

Activities or games

- Use a white board/ or paper and *How to Draw Peanuts* to teach children to draw the comic characters.
- Find the bone: Make paper bones or purchase dog bones to hide around the library. The child who finds the most receives a "Peanuts" related prize. Other children receive "Peanuts" stickers.
- Snoopy Bean Bag Toss: Use 5 dog dishes and have the children toss a bean bag, small Snoopy dog, or dog bones at the dishes. They receive prizes for each dish they hit.
- Pin the Nose on Snoopy: Purchase a poster with Snoopy or draw a Snoopy dog. Give children a large round sticker to use as the nose, have them cover their eyes, and try to get closest to Snoopy's nose.
- "Doggy, Doggy, Where's Your Bone": Sit in a circle, with one child in the middle with eyes closed. Chant the song. Give a bone to one of the children. The "doggie" in the center has three chances to guess who has the bone. The child with the bone then gets to be the "doggie" in the middle. Make sure each child has a chance to hold the bone and be the "doggie".
- "Write a Peanuts Comic" Choose a Peanuts comic (1 or more panels) and remove the words. Have the children fill in the words. The group will then vote for their favorite.

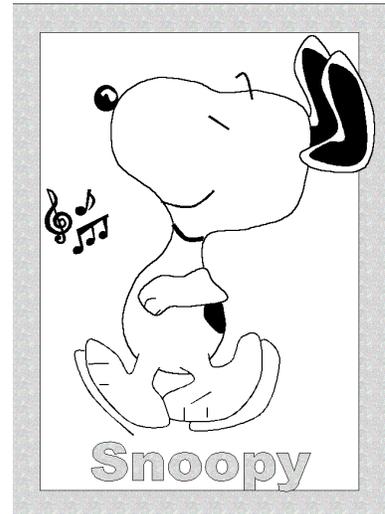
Snack: Recipe for Puppy Chow

Ingredients:

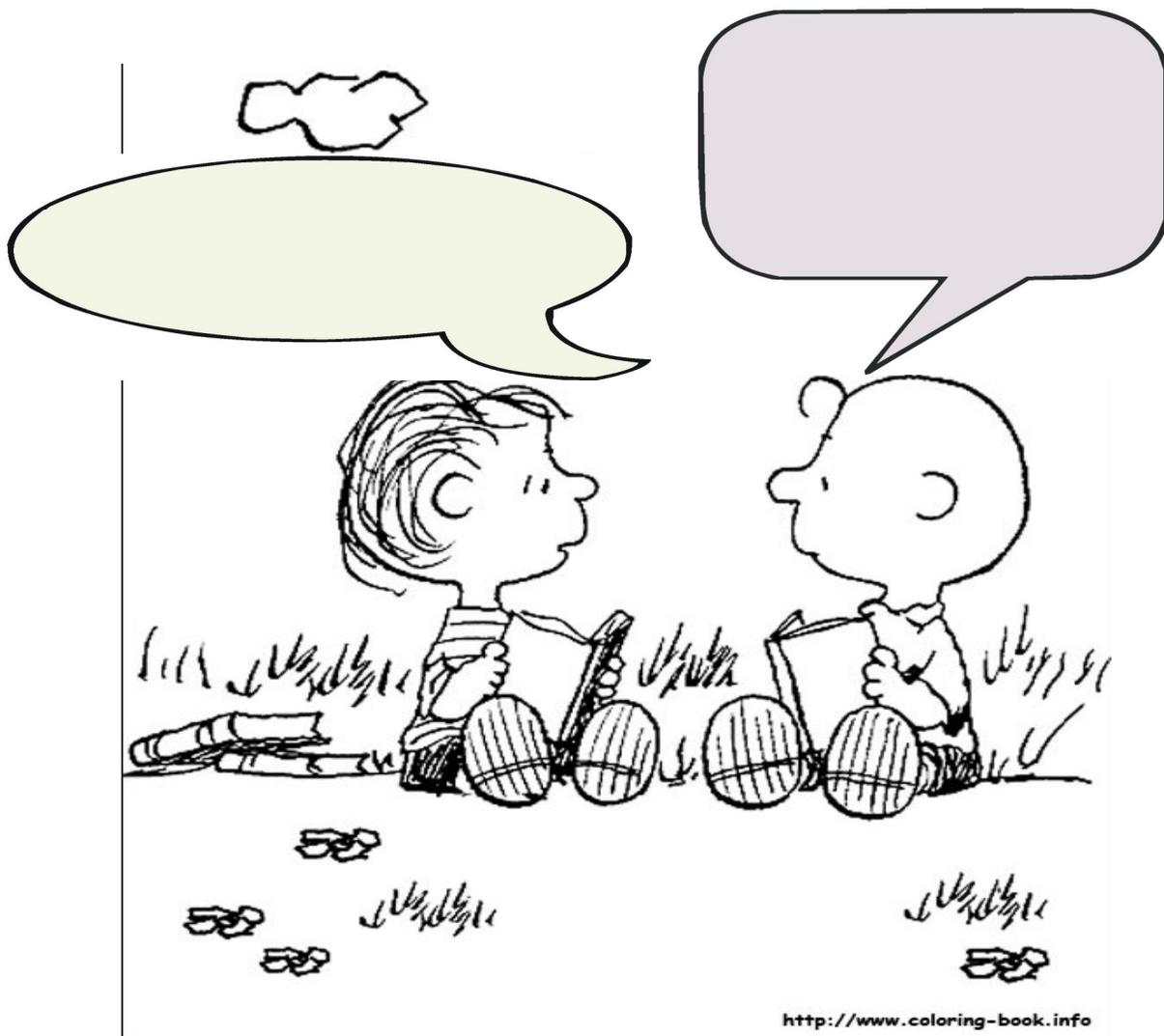
- 1/2 cup Peanut Butter (substitute butterscotch chips or vanilla chips for peanut allergies)
- 1/4 cup Butter
- 1 cup Chocolate Chips
- 1/2 tsp. Vanilla
- 9 cups Crispix or Chex cereal (any flavor)
- 1-1/2 cups Powdered Sugar

Instructions:

1. Combine peanut butter, butter and chocolate chips in a microwave safe bowl & microwave for one minute then stir to blend all ingredients thoroughly. Add 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Stir well.
3. Place the 9 cups of Crispix / Chex cereal in a very large bowl.
4. Pour the peanut butter-chocolate mixture over the cereal. Place in plastic bag, add powdered sugar and shake until mixed.



What are the characters saying?



Doggy, Doggy, Where's Your Bone?

Doggy, Doggy, where's your bone?
Somebody stole it from your home.
Guess who! Maybe you...
Maybe the monkeys from the zoo.
Wake up doggy, find your bone.

Resources (online & book)

Schulz, Charles. *How to Draw Peanuts*. (U.S.O: Troll, 2001.
http://www.coloring-book.info/coloring/coloring_page.php?id=104
<http://www.kids-birthday-party-guide.com/snoopy-birthday-party.html>
<http://www.dltk-kids.com/crafts/peanuts/index.html>
http://www.boredquiz.com/personality_quiz/peanuts-trivia-quiz/1 [trivia game questions]

More information or questions?

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