



PIG APPLESAUCE CUPS

Grade Level

K-4

Length of Lesson

20-30 minutes

Materials Needed

- Strawberry applesauce cups
- Pink or red pipe cleaners
- Googly eyes
- Small pink buttons
- Glue or tape
- Pink construction paper
- Copies of pig ear template

Lesson Summary

This lesson is designed to be a fun, hands-on activity that introduces students to facts about pigs and talk about nutrition.

Suggested Sequence of Events:

1. **Set Up:** Print the pig ear templates on pink construction paper and cut the pairs out to make it easier to pass out. Cut the pipe cleaners into fourths.
2. Read "[Pigs](#)" by Gail Gibbons to snag student interest.
3. Read through the AITC Pork Ag Mag to learn more about pork! Interactive online versions can be found on our website.
4. Complete the activity following the procedures:
 - Give students one applesauce cup, 2 googly eyes, one pipe cleaner piece, one pink button, and a pair of ears.
 - Have students cut out the heart-shaped ears and fold on the dotted line.
 - Flip the applesauce cups over so that the foil lid is faced down.
 - Put a dot of glue on the bottom part of the hear and place it at the '10 o'clock' position on the applesauce cup. Make sure the top of the heart is facing the front so that they look like floppy ears hanging forward. Repeat for the second ear, placing it at the '2 o'clock' position.
 - Use a pencil to swirl the pink pipe cleaner around to make a curly pig tail.
 - Use glue or tape to place the button nose, googly eyes, and curly pipe cleaner on the pig.
 - Set to the side and let it dry!
4. Whole class discussion and reflection of activity.



