



### Pyramid Support at Home Activity: Spinning Mobile Art Project

**Description:** This lesson is a simple art project to create a spinning mobile. The project is based on the work of Alexander Calder. For students that enjoy objects that spin, this is a project where they can create their own spinning mobile.

**Materials: Use as needed you can modify materials** – Pipe Cleaners or wire, Foam Paper/Construction Paper/Cardboard (any type of paper you have), hole puncher, scissors, decorative materials are options (i.e., stickers, stamps, markers, beads, paint, etc.)

**Supplemental Resources:** Alexander Calder Organization - <https://calder.org/>

Calder Inspired Short Cartoon - <https://youtu.be/ffU3ogXTfPs>

Tate Museum Kids Link - <https://www.tate.org.uk/kids/explore/who-is/who-alexander-calder>

**POTENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES** – You DO NOT need to do these all at once. Remember you can run the activity multiple times and focus on the same or different learning opportunities each time you do the activity. Take a look below or brainstorm your own learning opportunities and pick a few to focus on when working with your learner.

Requests	Comments	Directions	Other Learning Opportunities
-Paper (also shape or color)	-I like it	-Take _____	- Independently setting up and cleaning up materials
-Pipe cleaner or wire	-I don't like it	-Get the _____	-Putting on or taking off shape or beads onto the pipe cleaner
-Plate or placemat to build on	-Looks _____	-Open	-Bending or twisting the pipe cleaner
-You spin it	-It's spins	-Put on	-Counting out quantities of a bead or shape
You + verb (directing other) do, put on, etc.	-Looks good	-Count out _____	-Saying yes or no
-Spin Fast/Slow	-It's a _____	-Cut/Punch	-Working on waiting
-Asking questions (who, where, etc.)		-Put on top or next	-Patterns on the pipe cleaner
-Decorating material (sticker, marker, etc)		-Decorate	-Top, before, after, middle, bottom, next, etc