

Pre-Kindergarten Curriculum

Visiting the Grand Bazaar (Istanbul, Turkey)

1. Interact with the children using images of the Grand Bazaar (also known as the “Covered Bazaar,” or *Kapalıçarşı* in Turkish). Show them the outside of the bazaar, spices, textiles, ceramic bowls, slippers, and jewelry. Ask them what a bazaar is and explain. Ask them what each image is and how the items are used.
2. Show the children the images of the lanterns next. Once again, ask what they are and how they are used. Explain that the lanterns are made of glass, usually from mosaic tiles. Ask what mosaic is and explain.
3. Create Turkish lanterns with the children
 - a. Use small, clear plastic cups and battery-operated tea lights (if you want to use real candles, make the candle holder out of a small mason jar)
 - i. If using a mason jar, cover the rim of the jar with tape or keep the lid on while making the craft so the children know not to decorate the inside of the jar.
 - b. Create a mixture with glue and water (2 parts glue, 1 part water) and use a sponge brush to apply pieces of tissue paper to the outside of the jar.

