
Breakaway Camp Arts 'n' Crafts Manual



Breakaway Kids Camps

Our mission is to provide a fun environment where relationships are built and the gospel is shared so that lives are changed eternally.

Breakaway Kids Camps are Interdenominational Christian Holiday Camps for Kids located 2 hours south of Sydney, NSW. Australia.

The camps are held at Fitzroy Falls Conference Centre - Ryans Lane Fitzroy Falls, NSW Australia, during the January School Holidays. There is a Junior Camp for Primary Schoolers (Years 3-6) and a Senior Camp for High Schoolers (Years 7-12). There are also Summer and Winter Camps for Underprivileged Children. We aim to provide opportunities for young people to develop mentally, physically, socially and spiritually in a healthy natural environment.

The camp team consist of Christian men and women who relate well to young people and who care for their well-being. They give their time on a voluntary basis

Introduction

Welcome to the Breakaway Kids Camps Arts n Crafts Manual. This Manual has been put together so that you can be better prepared for Breakaway Camps and more aware of your roles and responsibilities. It has lots of ideas for what to do and how to do it.

Arts n Crafts are an excellent way to engender creativity in kids. All of Gods children are creative. Everyone loves artistic talent. Good Arts n Crafts activities allow each one of us to be creative in a fun environment.

Arts n Craft activities are an excellent way to spend a rainy day. They can be held in 'reserve' whenever the weather disrupts the programming. A good arts n crafts session is always a popular activity during the day.

But please be aware of your audience! Infant boys are going to be excited about entirely different things than infant girls. Primary aged boys are also going to get excited about different things than girls. A lot of boys often just like to build paper airplanes and then race them.

Some of these activities require a lot of preparation so BE PREPARED prior to the activity. If you are like me, I don't like to do much preparation - and so bring along some cakes of soap and butter knives for soap carving.

Principles of Gaming

Games are for the enjoyment of all. Therefore "involvement" of all is vital for the success of a game. Games are best when there is no winner or loser - Only competitors having fun.

As a team leader, it is important to hype up your team even if they are coming last. Your team is the best No matter what. While team unity and enthusiasm is important, do not put down individuals in opposing teams. Encourage those who are not athletic, artistic or creative. And give the quiet members of your team positions of importance in the games. Share the captancy or goalkeepers' position around.

Some games result in team points resulting in winners and losers. This serves to engender competitiveness but may also serve negatively for some children. Some children may consider themselves "losers." Do not allow this attitude to foster. Give such a child an achievable activity to win.

It's always best if the person leading the activity is running an activity they know well or enjoy. This way their enthusiasm and energy passes onto the kids who are playing. Never be afraid to ask for help from other leaders who may know the activity better or have more experience than you.

Enjoy,

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Breakaway Arts n Crafts Manual

Bonfire Night Fireworks Display Mobile

Supplies:

- Black construction paper
- Scraps of coloured paper and card
- Cardboard tubes (loo rolls, kitchen rolls)
- Glue and Scissors
- Clear nylon thread or black thread
- Scraps of tinsel
- Gel pens and metallic pens
- Old foil Christmas decorations
- Sparkly pipe-cleaners
- Sparkly pom-poms
- Glitter and glitter glue
- Sequins, beads
- Gold coin cases

Instructions:

- Decide whether you want a background
- Cover part of the wall with black construction paper
- Hang your fireworks and rockets just in front of the background
- Add a selection of toys to watch displays

To Make A Background:

- Draw spirals and starbursts on black construction paper using gel pens, glitter glue, sequins, beads etc.
- Mount the paper onto wall

To Make Rockets:

- Cover your cardboard tubes with brightly coloured paper or card, or scraps of metallic paper
- Make a cone out of more card and attach to the front of the rocket (add wings if you like)
- Attach two lengths of thread to the rocket, one about half way down the length of the rocket and one about an inch below the nose
- Adjust the threads and tie them together so that the rocket will hang at an angle, pointing upwards.

To Make Catherine Wheels:

- Take a number of metallic pipe cleaners and bend into shape, joining if necessary. Attach thread to hang

To Make Starbursts:

- Use small pieces of Christmas tinsel (about 2 inches long)
- Suspend by thread tied around the middle of the length
- You could use shredded foil tied together, individual gold coin cases attached back to back with thread sandwiched between them, or metallic pom-poms of different sizes and colours

Photo Frames From CD Boxes

Supplies:

- Empty CD boxes
- Scissors and glue
- Any accessories that are felt to be appropriate (for example sparkles, candies etc. Be creative)

Instructions:

- Open your CD box and take out the paper inserts and the moulded plastic piece into which the CD fits
- Cut photo to just smaller than the box (about 4 ¾ inches high and about 4 inches wide)
- Fix photo against the plastic with a few small pieces of sticky-tape)
- Cut a piece of cardboard, gift-wrap or fun foam to fit snugly behind the photo and to the edges of the frame (4 ¾ inches wide, 5 ¼ inches high).
- Fix with glue or sticky-tape facing into the box
- When finished you will open the box out to stand it up, so the backing protects the photo

Ribbon Jewellery

Supplies:

- Selection of ribbon and braid
- You will need some knick-knacks to decorate the jewellery
- Buttons, beads, stick-on jewels, tiny bows, and braid flowers
- White glue
- Small scraps of Velcro

Instructions:

- Once ribbon cut to size, turn under a ½ inch section at each end and crease
- Use tiny dab of glue to stick it down

- Cut a small piece of hook Velcro for one end and a matching loop piece for the other
- Sew the Velcro into place
- Stick down and leave to dry
- Decide on the design of the bracelet or necklace while the glue is drying: you could have one large decoration in the middle of the choker or a selection spaced around the necklace or bracelet
- Attach the decorations with a small dab of glue and wait for them to dry

Fridge Magnets

Supplies:

- Small magnets
- Card stock (any type of heavy paper)
- PVA glue
- Images (see following suggestions)
 - Children can do a small drawing and colour it in
 - "Initials" could be used
 - Children can cut pictures from old magazines and greeting cards
 - Download a selection of images from the net
 - Photos or photocopies of them

Instructions:

- Cut out your finished images, leaving a small border all around, then stick on card
- When the glue has dried, carefully cut out again but right to the edges
- Paint over the entire image with the PVA glue
- Balance the image on top of a small object to dry
- The glue will dry clear and protect the image, but if it is fragile, apply a second coat

Egg Carton Tulips

Supplies:

- Egg carton sections
- Green pipe cleaners
- Tempera paint and markers
- Hot glue or white glue

Instructions:

- Cut the edges of the egg carton sections to look like tulips
- Using the paint and markers, decorate the shells to look like tulip petals
- Let them dry completely and add details

- Twirl one end of a green pipe cleaner into a spiral shape
- Glue the spiral to the base of the egg carton tulip
- Let the glue set and dry

Kid's Playdough

Supplies:

- 2 cups flour
- 1/2 cup salt
- 2 tablespoons cream of tartar
- 2 cups water
- 2 tablespoons cooking oil
- Food colouring as desired
- Oil of cloves, wintergreen (for smell)

Instructions:

- In a large sauce pan, add flour, salt, cream of tartar, water and oil
- Cook over low heat until the consistency of dough
- Let cool, then add food colouring and flavourings

Makes 4 cups

Clay Hand Prints

Supplies:

- 4 cups flour
- 1 cup salt
- 1 teaspoon alum
- 1 1/2 cups water
- Fine sandpaper
- Acrylic paint (choice of colour)
- Ribbon

Instructions:

- Mix well in a large bowl
- Roll into 1/2 inch rectangle
- Press hands into clay
- Cut around imprint into the shape you like
- Make a small hole for hanging if desired
- Bake at 250 degrees on ungreased cookie sheet for about 30 minutes
- Turnover and bake another half hour until hard and dry
- Remove from oven and cool completely
- Sand with fine sandpaper
- Paint both sides
- If desired, cover with shellac or clear nail polish
- After hand print is dry, string ribbon through the hole for hanging

Spinning Blimp

Supplies:

- Paper
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Crayons or markers

Instructions:

- Cut a strip of paper about 6 to 8 inches long and ½ inch wide
- Cut halfway across the strip about ½ inch from one end
- Turn the strip around and do the same thing on the other end
- Slip the slot at one end into the slot at the other end

You should end up with something that looks like a little fish

Hold the blimp high over your head and drop it. It will spin like mad on its way to the ground

Note: make the paper strip wider or narrower. Make the tails longer or shorter. Cut the ends of the tails so they are pointy. Try using different kinds of paper. You can also colour your paper strip before you fold it into a blimp. That won't make it spin better, but it's fun to watch patterns and colours spin through the air.

Paper Mache Pastes

Here Are A Few Options:

- Use a mixture of flour and water. Mix one part flour with about 2 parts of water until you get a consistency like thick glue. Add more water or flour as necessary. Mix well to get out all the lumps. Add a few tablespoons of salt to help prevent mould!
- Similar to the above recipe—Put 4 cups of water into a large pot. Place the pot on the stove and bring the water to a boil. While you are waiting for the water to boil, mix together 1 cup of flour with 2 cups of water, stir well to get out as many lumps as possible. Once the water is boiling, carefully add your flour and water mixture. Simmer this mixture for 2-3 minutes, until smooth. Add a few tablespoons of salt to help prevent mould. Allow to cool before you try to use it!
- You can use regular glue mixed with a bit of water. Mix using about 1 part water with 2 parts of glue.
- Use wallpaper paste. Follow the manufacturer's directions to mix this paste.
- Use liquid starch.

Shoebox Diagrams

Supplies:

- 1 shoebox per child
- Markers or paint
- String
- Sand (optional)
- Glue
- Construction paper

Instructions:

- Each child will make their own diagram of the design of their choice
- EXAMPLES:
 - Solar system
 - Airplanes
 - Nature
 - Ocean

Hand Print Wreath

Supplies:

- 12" cardboard or cardstock wreath
- Assorted metallic papers
- Assorted decorative papers
- Black marker
- Raffia
- Coloured craft sticks
- Glue
- Scissors

Instructions:

- Make a hand pattern by drawing around your own hand on cardstock then cut out
- Trace pattern then cut 6 green, yellow, red, and brown waffle pattern hands
- Cut 2 each of silver and gold and 3 copper hands from metallic corrugated paper
- NOTE: trace pattern onto back of corrugated paper
- Carefully paste the coloured craft sticks around the back outer edge of the wreath
- Starting at the outer edge of the paper wreath, glue one row of hands around the edge in the following order: red, yellow, green and brown
- Glue a second row of hands around the inside edge of the wreath
- Glue a third row of hands in metallic colours on top of the first two rows in the following order: silver, copper, and gold
- Write the names of friends and family or other things you are thankful for on the

hands, or clip special photographs to the craft sticks with mini clothespins

Yarn Bugs

Supplies:

- Multiple colours of yarn
- Pink, yellow, black, and orange foam scrap
- Two $\frac{3}{4}$ inch white pompoms
- Two $\frac{1}{2}$ inch pink pompoms
- Three green pipe cleaners
- Two $\frac{1}{2}$ inch Styrofoam balls
- Old 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch floppy disk or heavy cardboard cut to the size of one
- Tacky glue
- Scissors

Instructions:

- Make a pompom by wrapping yarn around floppy disk (or heavy cardboard) at least 100 times
- Cut a 6" piece of yarn and slide it under wrapped yarn
- Tie tightly into double knot
- Turn floppy over and cut completely through yarn on this side
- Turn yarn blob sideways and smooth down strands
- Have an adult slice off the bottom of the Styrofoam ball so it stands on end
- Cover the top and sides of the ball with tacky glue
- Separate the strands of the pompom to fit the Styrofoam egg up inside
- Press pompom into place
- Arrange yarn
- Cut pipe cleaners in half
- Poke through yarn and into Styrofoam ball
- Bend four for legs
- Gently curl the two for antennae
- Glue two white pompoms for eyes and two pink pompoms for antennae tips
- Punch holes out of craft foam and glue on all around bug
- Glue two black holes on pompom for pupils on the eyes

Woven Placemat

Supplies:

- 2 sheets of different coloured construction paper
- Scissors

- Pencils

Instructions:

- Cut one sheet into strips
- Fold other paper in half and draw a line 1 inch from the top of the open side of the paper
- Cut strips up from the fold to the line (DON'T CUT OVER THE LINE)
- Open the paper and weave the cut strips through the slots

Medieval Banners

Supplies:

- "Shields" cut from paper
- "Flags/banners" cut from paper
- Markers, paint, crayons
- Glue
- Decorations
 - Sparkles
 - Beads
 - Feathers
 - Stickers
 - Scrap paper
 - Scrap felt
 - Ribbon

Instructions:

- Have the child write their name across the top of the shield
- Below the name of the child, have them colour stars, stripes, suns, animals, etc. to personalize their own banner—anything that might have a personal meaning to a child
- Mount this shield on paper flag/banner
- Talk about how royalty would have their own banners to proclaim who they were to others (or use the flags of different countries as examples)
- Explain how they can be children of God and that would make them princes and princesses because they are children of the King

Pop-Up Flower Garden Card

Supplies:

- Various colours of construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Markers or crayons

Instructions:

- Fold two rectangular pieces of construction paper in half

- One piece will be the outside of the card and one piece will be the inside
- On the piece that will be the inside, cut two short lines near the middle of the fold
- Fold the two outside flaps that you just made (but do not fold the middle flap)
- Unfold the flaps
- Open the card
- Push the two flaps towards the inside of the card—they will form 2 step-like protrusions
- Refold the card
- Cut two short lines through the folded flaps on the sides
- Fold the outside flaps that you just made
- Unfold the flaps
- Open the card
- Push the two flaps towards the inside of the card—they will form 4 step-like protrusions
- Cut some small flowers, stems and leaves from construction paper
- Decorate them with crayons or markers if you like
- Glue the flowers to the flaps, making sure that the flowers do not stick out of the card when the card is closed
- Glue the card to the other piece of the folded construction paper, but to make sure that you do not glue the flaps down, apply the glue only to the inside of the card and then carefully place it on the outer card
- Write a message on your lovely flower garden pop-up card

Hanging Japanese Fish

Supplies:

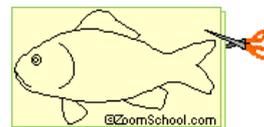
- Construction paper
- Old magazines, catalogues, coloured paper scraps, and aluminium foil scraps to cut up
- Glue
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Markers or crayons
- Hole punch
- 2 to 3 Crepe paper streamers (a few inches long)
- Some string or yarn

Instructions:

This is a Japanese hanging koi (carp) made from paper and old magazines. This fish looks beautiful hanging from the ceiling.

- Draw a fish on a large piece of paper.
- Put a second piece of paper under this piece of paper.
- Cut out the two large, paper fish.
- Cut out a lot of scrap paper and/or aluminium foil circles. Use old, colourful magazines, catalogues, etc.
- Glue the circles onto both sides of the body of the fish. These are the fish's scales. (The fish is not symmetrical, so be sure that you glue circles onto the fish in such a way that when you staple the 2 sides together later on, the scales will be on the outside.)
- Decorate the fish's head, fins, and tail using crayons or markers.
- Staple the two sides of the fish together, stapling the ends of crepe paper ribbons inside the tail.
- Punch two holes on the fish's face. String some yarn through the holes. You now have a hanging koi (a Japanese carp).

Cut out shape



Magazine / foil circles



Finished Fish



Paper Plate Maracas Craft

Supplies:

- One or two paper plates
- Dried beans, rice, or popcorn
- Stapler
- Paint, markers, or crayons
- Crepe paper

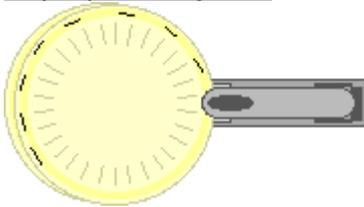
Instructions:

A maraca is a Latin American and Tupi rattle. The original maracas were made from hollow gourds filled with pebbles or seeds.

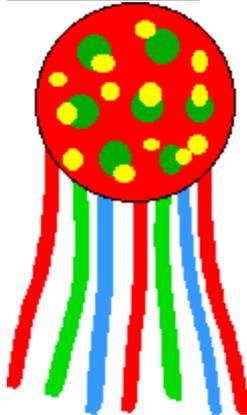
This is a simple maracas made from two paper plates stapled together, containing dried beans or popcorn.

- Put a handful or two of dried beans, rice, or popcorn in a paper plate.
- Staple the second paper plate securely on top of it.
- Decorate the maracas with crayons, markers, or paint.
- Staple long crepe paper streamers to the maracas.

Staple plates together



Finished Maraca



Rain Stick

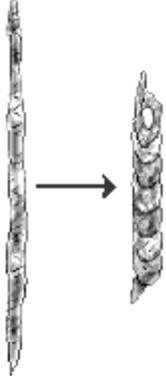
Supplies:

- A paper towel tube or other long cardboard tube
- Aluminium foil
- Small dried beans (like lentils), unpopped popcorn, dry rice, or tiny pasta.
- Construction paper
- Glue
- Scissors
- Crayons or markers

Instructions:

People who live in the deserts of northern Chile make rain sticks. In Chile, rain sticks are traditionally made from dead cactus tubes with hundreds of cactus spines hammered into the tube. Tiny lava pebbles cascade gently through the tube, sounding much like rain.

Trace around the end of your tube onto a piece of construction paper	
Draw a bigger circle around that circle and then draw a lot of spokes between the two circles. It will look like this...	
Cut along the spokes	
Put glue on the spokes and glue the cap onto one end of your tube.	
Cut a piece of aluminium foil that is about one and half times the length of your tube and about 6 inches wide	
Crunch the aluminium foil into two long, thin, snake-like shapes.	

<p>Then twist each one into a spring shape.</p>	
<p>Put the aluminium foil springs into your tube.</p>	
<p>Pour some dry beans, dry rice, or unpopped popcorn into your tube. The tube should only be about 1/10 full. You can experiment to see how different amounts and different types of seeds and beans change the sound.</p>	
<p>Make another cap from brown paper (the same as the first three steps) and cap your tube.</p>	
<p>Decorate the tube by covering it with construction paper, and then making designs with crayons or markers</p>	
<p>Finished Rain stick</p>	

Glitter Galaxy Craft

Supplies:

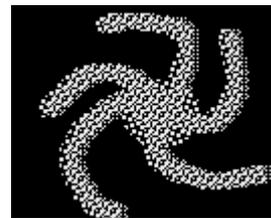
- Black construction paper
- Pencil or white crayon
- Glue
- Glitter (or sand)
- Old newspapers to work on

Instructions:

This craft makes a beautiful picture of our galaxy, the Milky Way. The stars in our galaxy are represented by the glitter (or sand).

- Work on some old newspaper

- On the black construction paper, draw a rough sketch of our galaxy, the Milky Way using a pencil (or white crayon). Our galaxy is a spiral galaxy with five arms. The centre is a dense disk containing many older stars.
 - Put glue along the lines of your galaxy drawing
 - Sprinkle glitter (or sand) on the paper. Tilt the paper onto some newspaper to shake off the loose glitter (or sand).
 - You now have a picture of the Milky Way galaxy, the galaxy where we live - each grain of glitter (or sand) represents a single star (like our Sun).
 - Create some other drawing using this style
- Finished Picture



Hawaiian Lei

Supplies:

- Tissue paper
- Yarn
- Pencil
- Scissors

Instructions:

- Make a piece of string to fit around a kids neck
- Tie it onto the end of a pencil
- Cut the tissue paper into 2 inch thick strips and 12 inches (or however long the tissue paper already is)
- Fold the tissue paper strips like an “accordion/fan”
- Poke the pencil through the middle of the folded paper
- Keep putting different strips onto the string until it’s full
- Tie the end of the string together

Butterfly Fridge Magnets

Supplies:

- Clothes pin
- Tissue paper
- Magnetic tape
- Scissors
- Things to decorate clothes pin:
 - Glitter pens (or regular glitter)

- Ribbon
- Markers
- Scrap paper
- Whatever you have lying around!

Instructions:

- Cut a piece of tissue paper into 8" by 6" rectangles
- Scrunch the tissue paper in the middle
- Put the clothes pin where it's scrunched in the middle
- Put the magnetic tape stuff on the back
- Decorate the clothes pin and even the tissue paper

Camp Journal



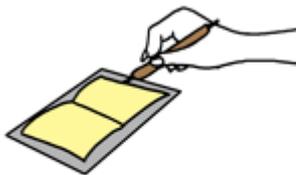
You will need:

- Paper board journal or memory book
- Blue plastic backed foil sheets
- Holographic sticky-back sheets - gold & purple
- 24 Gauge wire - any colour
- Diecut machine and die or pattern and scissors
- Long decorative edge scissors
- 1/4" Wide double sided tape
- Black fine tip permanent marker
- Craft snips
- Stylus
- Scissors
- Ruler

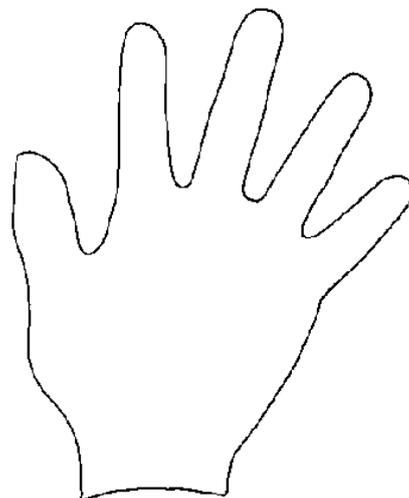
Instructions:

1. Using die cut machine or pattern and scissors, cut a large star from both holographic sheets. Cut a 1 1/4 " x 2 3/4 " piece from gold holographic sheet then trim the edges with decorative scissors. Set aside.
 2. Using craft snips, cut several assorted lengths of wire. Coil and shape wires as desired. Arrange on cover of journal until pleased with arrangement. Secure wire shapes to journal with double sided tape.
 3. Cut a 10 1/2 " x 12 1/2 " piece of blue foil and place on table with blue side down. Centre opened journal on top of foil. Use stylus to trace around edge of journal. Remove journal from foil. Fold foil in half, aligning the 10 1/2 " edges. Cut a slit in foil 1/4 " from folded edge, cutting from top edge of foil to traced line. Repeat, cutting from bottom edge of foil to traced line. Open foil up and trim tabs to 1/4 " length.
- Place journal back onto foil with centre spine of journal aligned with the centre fold of foil. Place tape on tabs and fold tabs in. Fold top and bottom edges of foil up onto journal. Secure with double sided tape. Diagonally fold corners (like wrapping a package) and similarly fold tape side edges of foil to journal.
4. Cut two 4 3/4 " x 8 1/4 " pieces of blue foil for inside lining of journal. Tape lining pieces to the inside of front and back cover.
 5. Use finger to gently press foil down along wire shapes on front cover. Remove paper backing and attach holographic stars and rectangle to front of journal. Use black permanent marker to add details.
 6. Cut hand shape from contrasting holographic paper then place on top of star.

HAND PATTERN



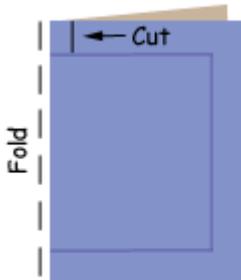
Place journal on foil then trace outline with a stylus.



STAR PATTERN



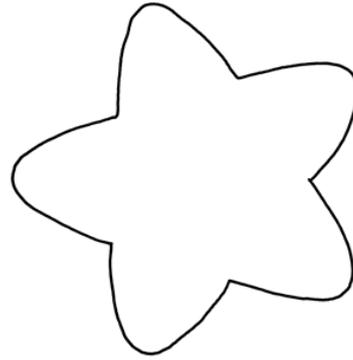
Make random shapes with wire then glue to front of album.



Fold blue foil in half. Cut a slit in foil 1/4" from fold.



Press foil over wire to show raised wire pattern.



Petro Glyph

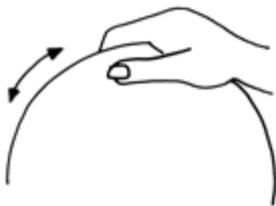
You will need:

- 6" Styrofoam disk
- White tissue paper
- Laminating glue
- Paint brush
- Acrylic paint - brown, turquoise, orange & yellow
- Geometric wood shapes

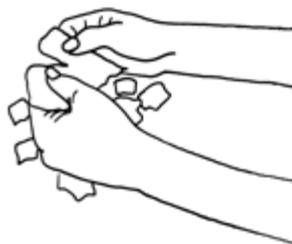


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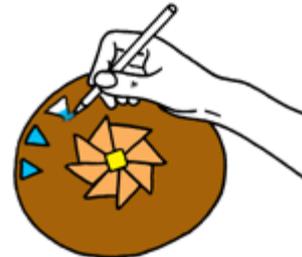
1. Tear the tissue paper into small pieces.
2. Starting with the sides, cover the top and sides of the Styrofoam disk with laminating glue. Completely cover with pieces of tissue paper then re-coat with laminating glue. Let dry.
3. Paint the top and sides of the disc brown.
4. While the paint is drying, plan the design of your petroglyph message on a piece of paper or paper plate.
5. Glue the wood pieces onto the painted disc.
6. Paint the wood pieces turquoise, orange and yellow as shown, or choose your own design.



Smooth edges of Styrofoam disk by rolling on table top.



Tear white tissue paper into small pieces.



Arrange wood pieces, glue in place then paint.

Best Friends Frame

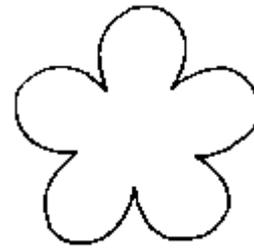
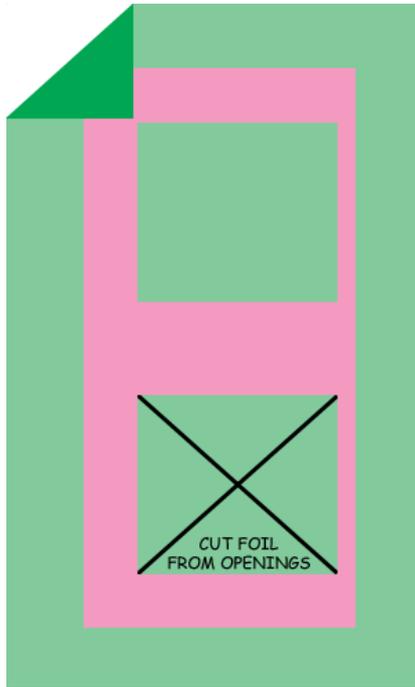


You will need:

- 1 3/4" x 3 1/2" Double, paper board photo frame
- Plastic backed foil sheets - orange & bright green
- Plastic backed holographic sheet - purple radial
- Three 1/2" Styrofoam balls
- 28" Length 24 gauge orange wire
- Acrylic paint - yellow, red & black
- 1/4" Circle paper punch
- 1/4" Wide double sided tape
- Stylus
- Scissors
- Craft snips
- Plastic serrated knife
- Paint brushes
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Tracing paper

Instructions:

1. Cut a piece of bright green plastic backed foil 7 1/2" x 8 1/2" then place on table with green side down. Centre opened frame on top of foil. Fold foil up onto frame and use double sided tape to secure foil to frame along both sides. Diagonally fold corners (like wrapping a package) and similarly tape top and bottom edges of foil to frame.
2. Using scissors, cut an "x" in the centre of both frame openings. Fold foil back and tape onto frame along openings.
3. Cut a 3" x 5 1/2" piece of bright green foil to line the inside half of the frame that doesn't have the picture openings. Tape lining in place. Fold frame in half.
4. Trace a flower pattern onto card stock then cut out. Tracing around pattern with a stylus, draw five flowers on orange plastic backed foil. Cut out flowers and set aside.
5. Cut Styrofoam balls in half using a plastic knife. Paint five of the foam halves with yellow acrylic paint (flower centres) and one red (for ladybug). Let dry. Paint a black strip down the centre of the ladybugs back. Paint the head black then add black spots with the brush handle. Set aside to dry.
6. Punch ten circles from the purple holographic sheet with the 1/4" hand punch.
- 7 Cut seven, 4" lengths of orange wire with craft snips. Curl each piece of wire around a pencil or marker.
8. Place a small piece of double sided tape on the back of each flower. Stick one end of wire pieces onto the tape. **Note:** Some flowers can have two wires taped to the back. Place another small piece of tape over the wire, then press in place around frame. Tape a yellow Styrofoam centre on each flower. Shape the flowers up around the centre.
9. Attach the ladybug to the frame with double sided tape.
10. Peel backing off the purple circles and randomly stick onto frame.



FLOWER PATTERN

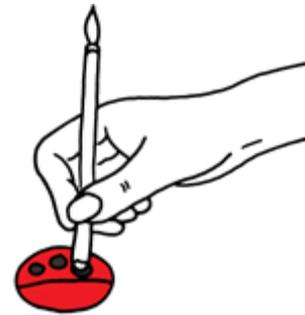
Place frame on top of wrong side of foil. Fold corners in diagonally, then fold sides inwards. Tape to secure.



Attach wire to the back of the flower with tape.



Cut Styrofoam ball in half.
Paint yellow for flower center.



Paint half ball red then dot with black for ladybug

Candle Cover



You will need:

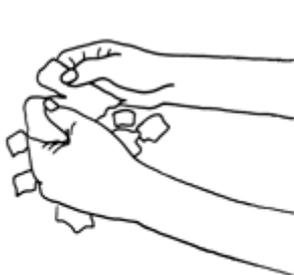
- Clear glass vase or jar
- Tissue paper - white
- Construction paper - pink, purple & orange
- Diecut machine and dies or patterns and scissors
- Purple fine point permanent marker
- Scissors
- Flat paintbrush
- White glue
- Plastic bowl
- Wax paper
- Small votive candle
- Optional: Ribbon

Instructions:

1. Using die cut machine or pattern and scissors, cut butterflies from coloured construction paper. The number you cut out will depend on the size of the vase.
2. Mix one part white school glue to 2 1/2" parts water in a disposable plastic bowl. Mix gently. Tear tissue paper into small pieces. Coat a small section of the vase with the glue mixture then randomly press pieces of tissue onto the surface overlapping as needed until the vase is completely covered.
3. Brush one side of butterflies with glue mixture then apply to the vase. Lightly brush another coat of glue mixture over the butterflies. Apply another layer of torn white tissue paper over the butterflies and the vase. Set on wax paper and let dry completely.
4. When the glue is dry, add detail to butterflies and decorative lines or patterns around them with the purple marker.
5. Place votive candle inside. Your butterflies will dance by the candle light.

Optional: Decorate the bottom and top edges of the vase with coordinating colours of ribbon. Glue in place. Use leaves and other colours of tissue for variations.

NEVER LEAVE A BURNING CANDLE UNATTENDED.



Tear tissue into small pieces.



Coat glass with glue mixture then cover with tissue pieces.



Glue butterflies on top of glass then cover with glue mixture.

Hopscotch



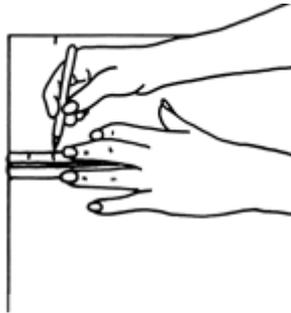
You will need:

- Vinyl flooring - 6' x 2'
- 8 1/2" x 11" heavy paper
- Acrylic paint - ivory, lavender, blue, pink, yellow, black, green
- Varnish
- Pencil
- Large flat paint brush
- Sponge
- Assorted rocks
- Masking tape
- Scissors
- Yard stick
- Design stamps
- Black permanent marker

Instructions:

1. Paint the wrong side of the vinyl flooring ivory. Let dry.
2. Measure a 2" border around the outer edge of the vinyl, marking lightly with pencil. Using the piece of paper as a pattern, lay the paper against the border at bottom right side. Draw around it to create the first rectangle. Place paper next to this rectangle then draw the second. Fold the paper in half lengthwise, to find the centre. Open it back up then matching the centre fold to the line where the two previous rectangles meet, draw the third rectangle. Move the paper back to the right side, above the third square and draw the fourth square. Move it to the left side of this square and draw the fifth square. Repeat these steps until you have nine squares on the vinyl flooring.
3. Draw the top dome with the pencil for the number ten space.
4. Using a sponge or flat brush, paint the rectangles 3, 6 and 9 lavender; 2, 4 and 8 green and 1, 5 and 7 blue. To make painting easier, place tape around each side of the rectangle you are painting. Paint the dome blue.
5. Dip sponge into paint colour of your choice and apply paint to the design stamps. Randomly stamp bugs on and around squares. Dip pencil eraser into paint to apply dots to your design. Let all paint dry.
6. Apply varnish with a large flat paint brush. Let dry.
7. Using a black permanent marker, add wavy outlines to squares and lines on and around designs. Add numbers to centre of squares.
8. Paint rocks assorted colours. Let dry. Add dots and designs to rocks with contrasting paint. Let dry and varnish.

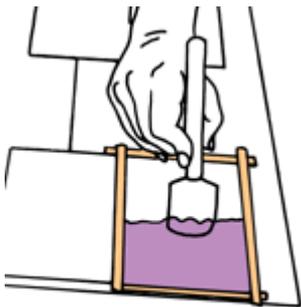
HOPSCOTCH LAYOUT



Measure then draw a 2" border around the edge of vinyl.



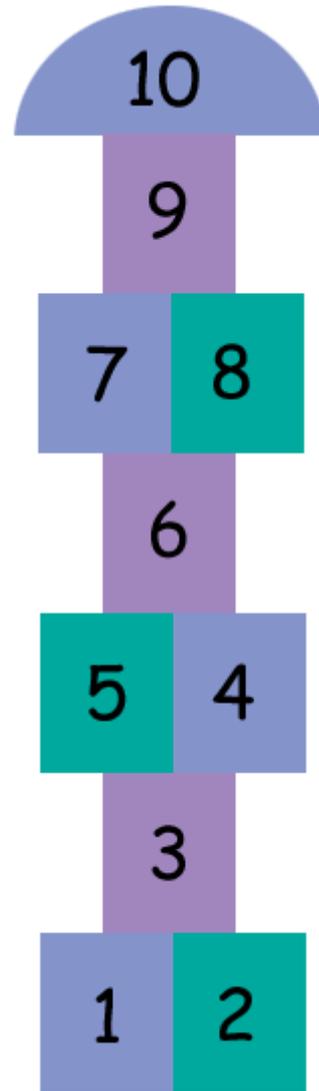
Use a piece of paper as your pattern to mark squares.



Mask around area you are painting to protect next area.



Use marker to embellish edges of squares with wavy lines.



Natural Soap



You will need:

- Loofah sponge
- Block glycerine soap
- Glass measuring cup
- Microwave
- Plastic wrap
- Tall drinking glass
- Knife
- Scissors

Instructions:

1. Dampen the loofah sponge in water then squeeze out excess. Cutting across the loofah, use scissors to divide into three pieces.
2. Cut 3 large squares of plastic wrap. Set one piece of the loofah upright on the centre of a piece of plastic wrap then wrap the sides of the sponge, leaving the top open. Repeat with remaining pieces. It is important that the plastic wrap not have any seams or openings in the bottom area. Push wrapped sponge into tumbler.
3. Use knife to cut glycerine soap into small pieces about the size of small ice cubes. Place these pieces inside the measuring cup then microwave them at 15 second intervals, occasionally stirring the melting soap pieces with a large craft stick. **DO NOT** let the soap come to a boil. Once the soap has melted, pour it into the glass over the loofah sponge.

4. Let the soap set in the tumbler overnight. Or, place it in the refrigerator to speed up the process.

NEVER PUT SOAP IN THE FREEZER

5. When the soap has set, remove the loofah from the tumbler then remove the clear plastic wrap. Use a knife to cut into slices.



Place loofa on a large piece of plastic wrap.



Place wrapped loofa in tumbler then fill with melted soap.



When soap has hardened, cut loofa into slices.

Animal Print Frame

You will need:

- Paper Mache
- Oil crayons - assorted colours
- White opaque marker or paint
- Wiggle eyes
- Scissors
- Glue



Color one long side and one short side with white.



Make scratches in the layer of oil pastels with scissor points.

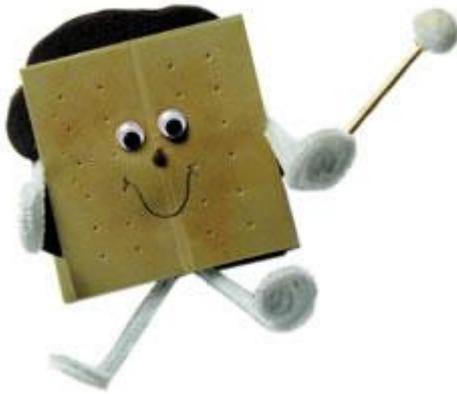


Glue wiggle eyes in place for skunk and racoon.

Instructions:

1. Colour the bottom and one side of the frame white with paint or opaque marker.
2. Colour the other sides of the frame with a dark brown oil crayon then colour over the white sides of the frame with black oil crayon.
3. Use the points of the scissors to scratch away the oil crayon on all four sides. Make the strokes in one direction so that the final effect will look like fur.
4. The black with white underneath represents a skunk, so use a white crayon to draw a white stripe down the centre of the two black sides.
5. The brown represents the fur of a racoon. Draw a dark brown circle at one end of each of the other two sides for the dark circle around a racoon's eyes.
6. Glue two small wiggle eyes at one end of each of the black sides for the skunk and one large eye on top of each of the brown circles.

Marshmallow People



You will need:

- 2mm Tan Craft foam
- 3mm Brown craft foam
- 1/2" White pom-pom
- 7mm Brown pom-pom
- Two 10mm Wiggle eyes
- 3 White chenille stems
- Scissors
- Toothpick
- Tacky glue
- Fine point black permanent marker
- Pencil
- Cinnamon

Instructions:

1. Transfer pattern for melted candy bar onto brown foam, then cut out. Cut two 3 1/4" squares from tan foam for crackers. Poke holes in crackers with pencil point then dust with cinnamon. Draw line down centre of cracker with edge of scissors to simulate an actual cracker.
2. Glue 'smores together in the following order: Cracker, 3" pom-pom, melted candy, cracker. Let dry.
3. Bend 1 chenille stem in half for legs. Coil ends of chenille stems for feet. Glue legs in place inside of top cracker. Snip one chenille stem in half for arms. Glue ends then glue one to each side of the top cracker.
4. Glue 2 wiggle eyes and brown pom-pom in place for face. Draw mouth with a black marker.
5. Glue white pom-pom to the end of a toothpick for toasted marshmallow then glue to one arm.

Wired Creatures

Caterpillar Bracelet

You will need:

- 36" Piece 18 gauge wire - light yellow
- Pony beads - 24 green, 24 lime and 24 orange
- 5/8" x 5/8" Wood candle cup
- 1/2" x 1/2" Wood spool
- Gold jingle bell - 1/2" diameter
- Acrylic paint - green
- Glue
- Permanent markers - black, white & red
- Nail clippers or wire cutters
- Needle nose pliers
- Paintbrush



Instructions:

1. Paint candle cup and wood spool green.
2. Fold 36" wire in half aligning both ends. String jingle bell on one end of wire. Hold ends of wire up so the bell rests in fold.
3. String pony beads on both wires alternating colours in the following order: green, lime green and orange.
4. Bend ends of wire back in small loop. Cut off excess if necessary. Wedge and glue loops inside top of candle cup. Glue wood spool centred on bottom of candle cup.
5. Use marker to draw face. Draw eyes, nostrils and mouth with black.

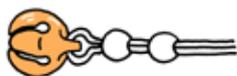
Butterfly Pin

You will need:

- Two 13 1/2" pieces 18 gauge wire - purple
- 4" piece 24 gauge wire - black
- 1" pin back
- Pony beads - 2 purple ovals
- 1 dark pink barrel
- Tacky glue
- Needle nose pliers



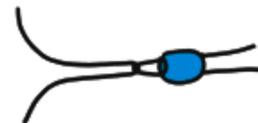
Thread the bell onto the wire. Bend at the center.



Thread pony beads onto both ends of the wire.



Loop two pieces of wire together at fold.



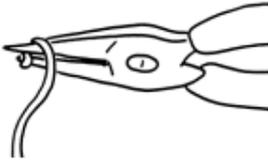
Thread beads onto the wire to make the butterfly body.

Instructions:

1. Fold each length of purple wire in half. Loop together to form one long length. Crimp together with needle nose pliers.
2. String barrel pony bead on wire. Centre over joint. String one oval pony bead on each side of barrel pony bead. Spread wires to the sides of the beads to hold beads in place.



Fold the wire over at the end then glue into the candle cup.



Use needle nose pliers to crimp, curl or fold wire.



Frog

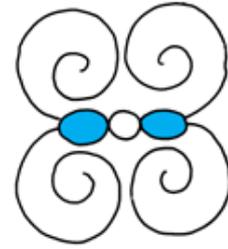
You will need:

- 16 1/4" of 18 gauge wire - green
- 3 Oval pony beads - green
- 1" Pin back
- Two 4mm red wiggle eyes
- Tacky glue
- Needle nose pliers
- Nail clippers or wire cutters
- Black marker

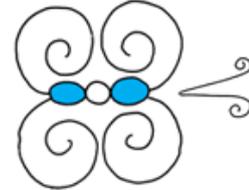
Instructions:

1. Cut wire into one 11" long piece for the body and one 5 1/4" piece for the arms.
2. Fold wire for body in half aligning both ends.
3. String 1 pony beads on for head and centre on wire. Twist wires together a half turn below head.
4. String 2 pony beads onto both wires for the body. Push up to neck. Spread wires apart. Shape legs by bending upward to form knees, then down to form legs.
Twist one small loop at each end of wire for feet then bend feet out to sides.
5. Centre wire for arms across front of neck, bend ends back and around neck, crossing to opposite sides. Twist one small loop on each end of wire for hands. Bend arms down to knees.
6. Glue eyes on face. Draw mouth and nostrils with black marker. Glue pin back on back of body or adjust legs so frog will sit.

3. To make wings, twist the end of each wire into small loop bending the front wires towards the back and the back wires towards the front. Continue twisting each wire into a spiral increasing the size of each loop as you twist.



Curl ends of wire to form butterfly wings.



Curl ends of folded wire then push into bead for antennae.

Friendship Bracelets

You will need:

- 22 Gauge plastic coated wire
- Small "E" beads - any colour
- Wire cutters
- Ruler
- Pencil



Instructions:

1. Cut three strands of wire large enough to fit around your wrist, plus an additional 4". Cut one additional length of wire 4½" longer than the other strands.
2. Twist approximately 1½" of the ends together; leaving the longer strand extended 1". Roll this piece around a pencil to form a loop.
3. Wrap the end of the long strand tightly around the base of the loop to cover the other loose ends and to hold the loop closed. Clip any excess wire from the wrapped strand.
4. Slide beads onto one of the strands of wire, using as few or as many beads as desired. Twist the remaining strands together around the beads leaving 2" at the end of the strands.
5. Twist the wire ends tightly for about 1¼" of the remaining wire, fold tightly at centre of twisted end area, bend to form a hook. Wrap one of the remaining wire ends tightly around the base of the hook to secure the hook then clip off remaining wires.



Wrap the strands of wire together. Loop over a pencil.



Secure by wrapping bottom of loop with one of the wires.



Fold wires over at end to make hook. Wrap ends with one wire

Constellation Album

You will need:

- Paper board photo album
- Plastic backed foil-black and silver
- Seven 16mm star rhinestones
- ¼" Star hand punch
- Decorative edge scissors
- Black permanent marker
- ¼" Wide double stick tape
- Stylus
- Scissors
- Ruler



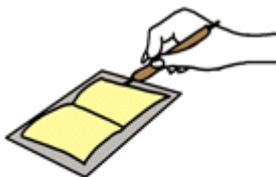
Wrap foil around journal cover. Fold corners diagonally then fold sides. Secure with tape.



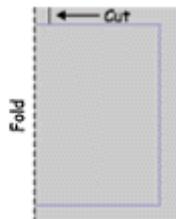
Constellation Pattern

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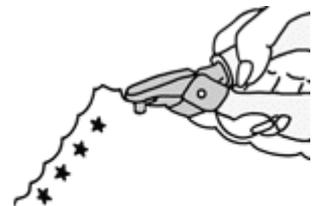
1. Cut a piece of black foil 8½" x 12" and place on table with black side down. Centre opened photo album on top of foil. Use stylus to trace around the edges of the album. Remove album from foil. Fold foil in half, aligning the 8½" edges. Cut a slit in foil ¼" from folded edge, cutting from top edge of foil to traced line. Repeat at the bottom. Open foil up and trim tab to ¼" length.
2. Place album back onto foil with centre spine of album aligned with the centre fold of foil. Place tape on tabs and fold tabs in. Fold top and bottom edges of foil up onto album and use double sided tape to secure foil. Diagonally fold corners (like wrapping a package) and similarly fold and tape side edges of foil to album.
3. Cut two 4½" x 6¼" pieces of black foil for inside lining pieces. Tape pieces to the inside of the front and back album cover.
4. Cut a 4¼" x 6¼" piece of silver foil. Trim along edges with decorative edge scissors. Punch stars along edges of foil piece with hand punch. Adhere to cover of album at a slight angle with double sided tape.
5. Use double stick tape to attach star rhinestones in a "Big Dipper" formation on front of photo album. Draw lines between stars with black permanent marker.



Place journal on foil. Trace around with a stylus.



Fold foil in half. Cut a slit in foil ¼" from fold.



Use hand punch to punch design around outside edge.

Bumble Bee Mobile

Take a buzz through the garden with a honey bee mobile. Did you know that bees can fly 22 miles per hour and their wings beat 180 beats per second? You'll really need to be "buzzing" to keep up with them. Bees unwittingly carry pollen on their back legs from flower to flower so that the plant can produce seeds for the next crop.

You will need:

- 4 Styrofoam 2" eggs
- 3" Styrofoam egg
- 24 Yellow 6mm chenille stems
- 18 Black 6mm chenille stems
- Wiggle eyes
- Black craft wire
- Jute
- 16 large wood teardrops
- 2 Small wood rectangles
- White acrylic paint
- Paint brush
- Glue
- Nylon thread
- 18 gauge Wire stem
- Wire snips



Wrap egg with yellow and black chenille stems.



Form chenille into circle. Affix to ends of egg.

Instructions:

1. Wrap each 2" styrofoam egg with yellow chenille stems. Starting at the widest part of the egg, push one end of a stem into the styrofoam then wrap the chenille between the yellow for stripes. To cover each end, form black chennile stem into a circle. Bend the ends outward then attach one circle to each end of the egg by pushing the ends into the body. Secure with glue.
2. Cut one chenille stem into 6 pieces. Push ends into the body then bend to make legs.
3. Paint the wood teardrops white. Let dry then push the pointed ends of four teardrops into each bee. To make antennae, cut 6" piece of craft wire. Fold in half then twist together. Curl each end around a paintbrush handle. Fold in half then push head. Glue wiggle eyes in place.
4. Unbend four paperclips. Push one into the top of each bee for a hanger.
5. Unbend a paperclip then push into the pointed end of the large styrofoam egg. Tie end of jute to the clip. Cover part of the egg with glue, then wrap the egg completely with jute keeping strands close together. Paint the rectangles white. Let dry then write "HOME SWEET HOME" on one side with the black marker.
6. To assemble, cut the wire stem in half then tie the two pieces together at the centre to make a cross. Curl each end to make a hook. Tie invisible thread to each bee then tie the opposite ends to the ends of the wire. Tie the beehive to the centre of the crossed wires. Glue the rectangles together on either side of the thread with the lettering to the outside.

Coral Snake



The colourful coral snake is found in the southern desert region of the United States. It's small but very poisonous. Make his brightly coloured rings with coiled strips of foam.

You will need:

- Adhesive foam sheets - Black, Orange and Yellow
- 8mm Black bead
- 2 Red chenille stems
- 2 Wiggle eyes - 8 mm
- Scissors
- Glue
- Sequin pins
- Optional: Plain foam sheets and glue



Roll foam strips around chenille stem for body.

Instructions:

1. Bend a 1" hook in one end of two chenille stems. Interlock hooks then twist securely. Add a black bead to one end of chenille stem. Wrap a 1" hook around bead, then twist hook onto chenille stem. Trim chenille from stem around bead. Bend a 1" fork tongue at the other end of stems. Twist each fork together.
2. Cut adhesive foam strips as shown. Remove paper backing from shortest black foam strip. Beginning at bead end, wrap foam strip around chenille stem. Wrap the shortest yellow strip next to the black coil. Wrap the shortest orange strip next to the yellow coil. Push coils together toward bead end. Continue adding foam strips, graduating from shortest to longest strips. Insert a sequin pin at the end of each coil to hold in place.
3. Cut two head shapes with neck tab. Cut and remove paper backing on each tab on back of head only. Stick tabs and head back together, on each side of chenille stem. Wrap the 6" orange neck strip around the chenille stem, covering tabs.
4. Cut a 1" x 1/4" yellow foam strip. Stick strip across top of the head. Glue wiggle eyes below yellow stripe.

Piggy Bank

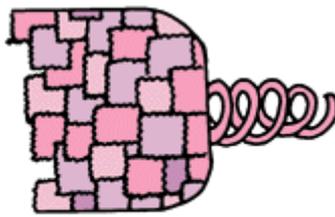
Farms aren't complete without pigs, notorious for being a very messy animal. Our pig is actually very clean and a perfect bank for storing loose change.

You will need:

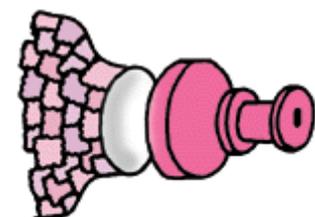
- Glass mayonnaise or pickle jar with lid - (about 7" high and 3" diameter)
- 4 Wood 1" spools
- 3" Spool
- 2 Large 1" wiggle eyes
- Tissue paper - Pink and Purple
- Decorative edge scissors
- Pink fat chenille stem
- Foam sheet - Pink
- Acrylic paint - Pink
- Black marker
- White glue
- Paintbrush



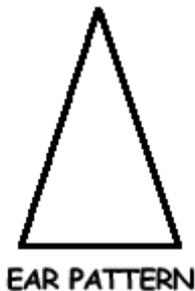
Glue tissue paper squares all over glass jar surface.



Curl chenille then glue to bottom of jar for tail.



Paint large spool then glue to jar lid for snout.



Instructions:

1. Paint the 5 spools and jar lid pink. Set aside to dry.
2. Cut tissue paper into 1" squares with decorative edge scissors. Apply slightly watered down glue to the surface of the jar. Glue on squares of tissue paper, overlapping to cover the entire jar up to the threads on the neck where the lid screws on. Apply a thin layer of glue over the top as a finish and let dry.
3. Glue large spool to the lid and screw to jar. Draw 2 black dots on the front for the snout.
4. Glue spools on the bottom as shown for legs. You will need a thick layer of glue to secure. Let dry overnight.
5. Cut 2 ears from pattern on pink foam then glue to top of the jar. Glue on eyes.
6. Curl the chenille stem around a pencil then glue to back of pig. Glue one coil to jar to attach firmly.

Aussie Pocket Pal

On a visit to the Outback, you're sure to see a Marsupial. These are animals that carry their young in a front pocket, or pouch. Kangaroos are just one example. This project is a fun way to remember this important attribute of a marsupial, while making a fabric purse for yourself.

You will need:

- Foam - Brown and Black
- 2" Beige pom pom
- 1 1/2" Beige pom pom
- 1" Brown pom pom
- Three 1" Beige pompoms
- Two 3/4" Beige pom poms
- 3/4" Dark Brown pom pom
- Brown fake fur
- Tacky glue
- Scissors
- Small hole punch
- 1 yard ribbon or cord
- Black marker



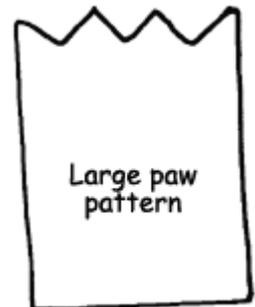
Glue pom poms together to make the head.



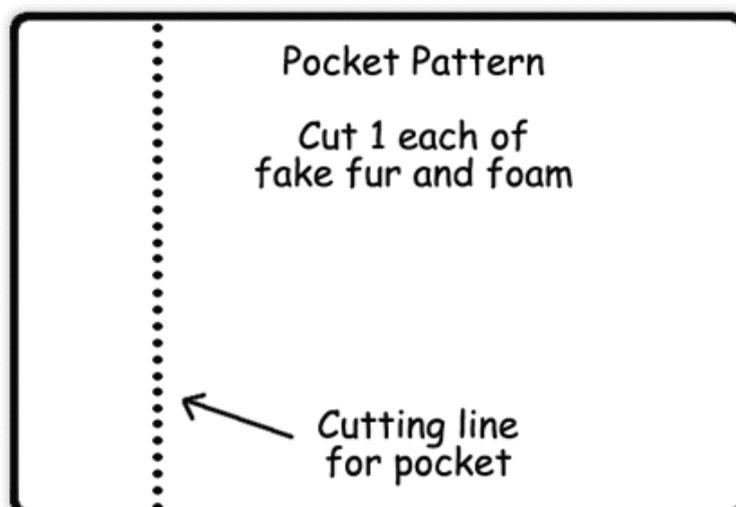
Small paw pattern

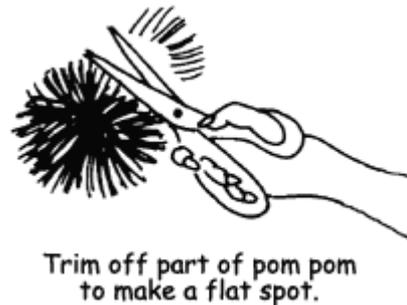
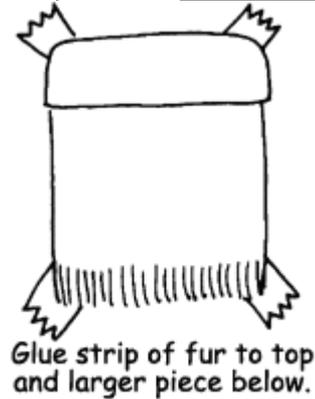
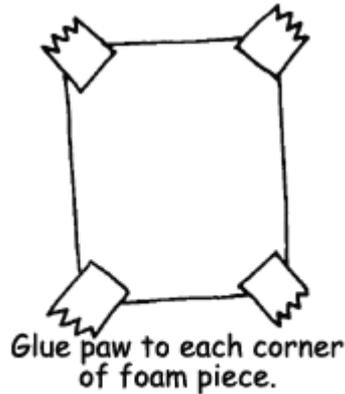


Glue smaller pom poms together to make the baby Kangaroo (a joey).



Large paw pattern





Instructions:

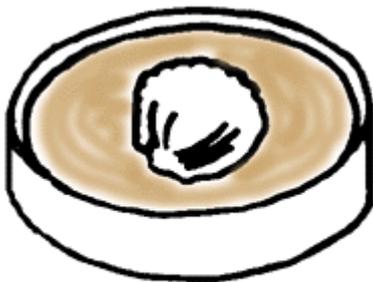
1. Cut a 3 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangle from brown foam and a second rectangle from fake fur. Cut four paws from black foam. Note: It is easier to cut fur from the back.
2. Glue one paw to each corner of the brown foam. Cut 1 1/2" strip from the short edge of the fur rectangle then glue this at the top of the foam over the paws.
3. Glue the remaining piece of fur on the front of the foam piece along the edges only. This will form the "pocket".
4. To make the head, glue the large pom pom to the centre of the strip of fur at the top. Holding the centre of the larger dark brown pom pom between the finger and thumb of one hand, trim the pom pom on one side to flatten. (Do not cut through the centre, or the pom pom will fall apart.) Glue to the centre of the head for a nose. Trim two of the medium beige pom poms in the same manner then glue to each side of the head for ears.
5. Punch two circles from the black foam then glue to the head for eyes.
6. To make the "Joey" to put inside the pocket, glue pom poms together in the same manner. Use the medium pom pom for the head, the dark brown pom pom for the nose and the two tiny pom poms for the ears. Press the tip of a black marker into the pom pom above the nose to make eyes.
7. Cut four small paws from black foam then glue into body.
8. Glue ends of ribbon to the back of the foam at the top corners.

Sand Cast Sea Treasures

Learn to cast your own seashell treasures and add a little glitter to bring out their true beauty.

You will need:

- Starfish or shells found on the beach
- 4 cups sand
- Clear plastic pony beads - Yellow and Purple
- Decorative gel glue
- White glue
- Plaster of Paris
- Glitter glue - Green and Purple
- 2 Containers for sand and plaster mixture
- Spoon
- Paintbrush
- Water



Press shell into sand and water mixture.



Mix water, white glue and plaster of Paris.



Pour mixture into depression in sand.

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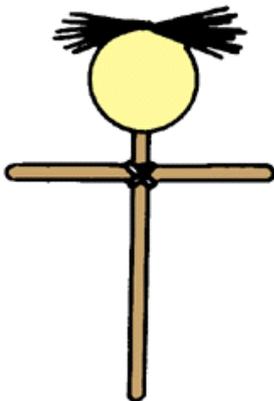
1. Collect shells or starfish on the beach. If you do not live near a beach, these items are often available at craft stores.
2. Fill container with four cups of sand. Add 1/2 cup of water to sand and mix well.
3. Press starfish or shell, face down into sand to make an impression. Remove shell from sand.
4. In another container, mix 1/2 bottle of white glue with 1/2 cup of water. Add 1 cup of plaster of Paris. Mix well. Tip: This step is messy. Work outside if possible.
5. Pour this plaster mixture into impression in the sand. Allow this to set for one hour. Remove plaster casting from sand. Brush off extra sand with a paint brush.
6. Brush a coat of decorative gel glue over the top surface of sand casting. Outline and add accents with glitter glue. Glue pony beads to sand castings.

Scarecrow

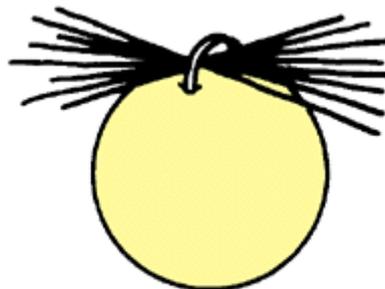
One of the farmer's friends, scarecrows are still used to scare away birds that eat the seeds and flowers of certain plants. Our scarecrow has an interesting face and fun clothes.

You will need:

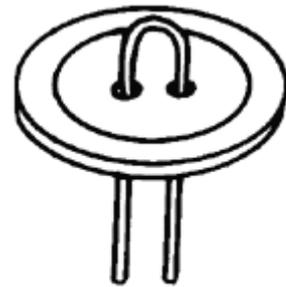
- 6" Styrofoam ball
- Wood 1/2" dowel - 36" length
- Texture medium
- Acrylic paint - Putty, Orange, Red and Black
- Paint brushes
- 2 Large Dark Blue buttons
- Wood triangle
- Straw hat to fit head
- Flannel shirt - size 2T or 3T
- Raffia
- Tacky paste
- Scissors
- Craft snips
- Wire



Tie dowels together. Push styrofoam head onto top.



Attach bundles of raffia hair to head with wire.



Make a "u" hook. Thread ends thru button holes.

Instructions:

1. Using the craft snips, cut the dowel in half. Take the two dowel pieces and wire them together at the centre of each dowel to make a cross. Move one dowel up so it is 6" from the top of the other dowel.
2. Take the Styrofoam ball and cover it with texture using a brush. Let dry overnight. Paint the textured ball with putty coloured paint.
3. Bend two, 4" pieces of wire into a "U" shape. Thread the ends through the holes in the buttons then push into the foam ball for eyes. Paint the wood triangle with orange paint. Let dry then glue in place for the nose. Using a liner brush and black paint, add the smile, then paint red hearts at each end of the smile.
4. To make the hair, cut raffia into 8" pieces. Tie 10 strands together with wire at the centre, then push the wire ends into the foam ball, around the face. Glue hat on top of raffia hair.
5. Push the short end of the dowel into the bottom of the foam ball. Tie some pieces of the raffia under the head.
6. Place shirt over horizontal dowel. Button up then glue to base of head, allowing some of the tied raffia to poke out of the top. Tie a piece of raffia around the waist of the shirt. If you are going to hang the scarecrow, add a piece of wire to the back of the hat for a hanger.

Bath Time Bubble Jelly



You will need:

- Packet unflavoured Gelatine
- 3/4 Cup water
- 1/2 Cup clear liquid soap or bubble bath
- Fragrance oils
- Food Colouring (optional)
- Plastic jar with lid (e.g. peanut butter jar)
- Small plastic bath toy
- Mixing Bowl
- Assorted items to make label



Dissolve gelatin in hot water.



Slowly add liquid soap. Do not beat!



Add drops of food coloring and fragrance oil.

Instructions:

1. Empty the packet of gelatine into a mixing bowl. Set aside.
2. With the help of an adult, warm water until it begins to boil. Immediately remove water from heat source. Carefully pour the hot water into mixing bowl and gently mix with gelatine powder. Allow gelatine to completely dissolve. Be patient! This may take a few minutes.
3. S-l-o w-l-y and gently stir in the liquid soap to the gelatine mixture. Add a drop of food colouring and 5-8 drops of fragrance oil. (Be careful not to beat mixture, bath jelly will become foamy if you do.)
4. Pour your potion into a clean, clear container. Place a small toy inside jar as a treat!
5. Refrigerate Bubble Jelly until set (about 4 hours). As the jelly sets, come up with a name for your creation! Then using scraps of stiff paper and ribbon, make a fun label for the jar. Attach label to bath jelly jar by punching a hole in one corner of the label. Thread ribbon, cut long enough to tie around the jar, through hole on label. Tie around the jar!

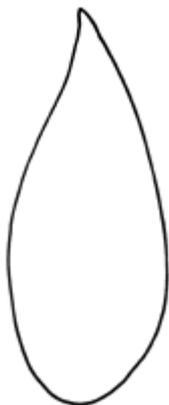
To use, scoop a small amount of jelly into your hand and hold under warm running water for a bubbly bath-time treat!

Bird Bath

Create a wonderful perch for your feathered friends from painted clay pots.

You will need:

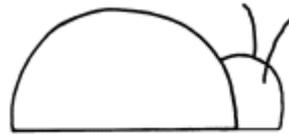
- Acrylic Paint - Ivory, Spring Green, Green, Magenta, Black, Periwinkle Blue, and Yellow
- Interior-exterior varnish
- 5" x 5" compressed sponge
- Scissors
- Pencil with new eraser
- #5 Round brush
- Small stencil brush
- 1" Sponge brush
- Silicone Glue



Large Leaf



Flower Petal



Ladybug



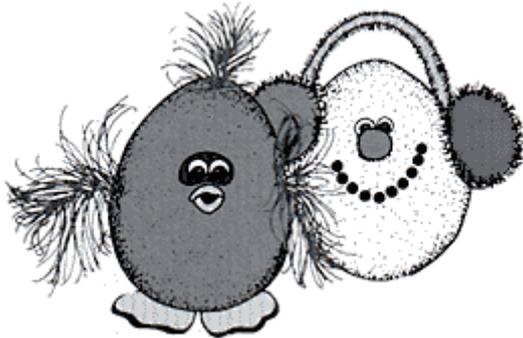
Small Leaf

Instructions:

1. Use the sponge brush to basecoat the bottom and sides of the saucer yellow, the bottom and sides of the pot blue and the top edge of the pot green.
2. Transfer the shapes to the compressed sponge and cut out. Dip the shapes in the water to expand then wring out excess.
3. Turn the flower pot upside down. Dip the flower petal sponge in ivory paint and make side view and full view daisies around the sides of the pot. Paint flower centres yellow then add ivory highlights and tiny black dots around the centres.
4. Dip leaf shapes in green paint and add leaves around the flowers. Use the round brush to paint stems and blades of grass.
5. Dip pencil eraser in yellow and magenta and scatter dots around the pot.
6. Print magenta ladybugs on flower stems and around the base of the pot. Using a round brush, paint the head, antennae, feet and body dots with black. Let dry.
7. Brush on 3 coats of matte varnish, allowing each coat to dry between applications.
8. Glue the saucer on top of the pot with silicone glue.

Note: Bring your birdbath indoors during freezing weather to prevent cracking.

Egg Snowman



Styrofoam eggs are the base for these very comical snowmen and cardinals.

You will need:

- 3" Styrofoam eggs
- 3 Slices white bread
- Glitter gel
- School glue
- Craft sticks
- Disposable dish
- Paper clip

Snowman:

- Silver chenille stem
- Two 1" tinsel pompoms
- Two 1/4" wiggle eyes
- 1/2" orange pompom
- 10 black "E" beads

Cardinal:

- Red acrylic paint
- Red feathers
- Black and Yellow foam
- Two 1/4" wiggle eyes

Instructions:

Snowman

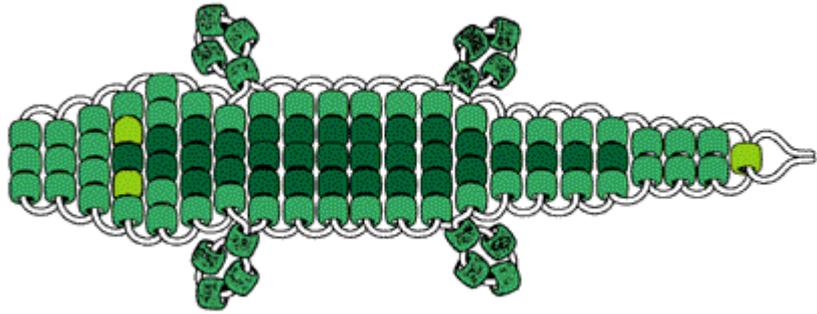
1. Finely crumble 3 slices of white bread (with crust removed). Add 2 tablespoons glitter gel and 1 tablespoon water. Mix together with a craft stick.
2. Spread mixture on styrofoam with the craft stick. The dough may be sticky. Wet your hands under a faucet, then smooth the dough around the egg.
3. Unbend a paper clip and insert end into top of egg to make a temporary hanger. Hang egg to dry, then remove paper clip.
4. Glue wiggle eyes, pompom nose and E-bead mouth into place. Cut a 5 1/2" length silver chenille stem. Bend into a U-shape. Glue chenille stem and 1" royal tinsel pompoms on sides of head for ear muffs.
5. Spray with clear acrylic finish or paint with a coat of glitter gel and water.

Cardinal

1. Repeat Snowman steps 1 through 3, using the following recipe: 3 slices white bread, 2 tablespoons red paint, 2 tablespoons school glue and 2 teaspoons water.
2. Allow shape to harden for 30 minutes. Make toothpick holes at wing, tail and top feather placement. Press a pencil eraser in to the mouth to make a 3/8" hole. Allow to dry completely.
3. Cut beak, feet and eye pieces from foam. Glue beak in mouth opening. Glue on eye piece and feet. Glue red feathers on body. Glue wiggle eyes on eye piece.

Pony Bead Crocodile

Who can think about Australia without thinking about crocodiles! At least you won't have to wrestle with this one! Pony bead animals are fun to make - you could easily make enough to populate the whole outback.



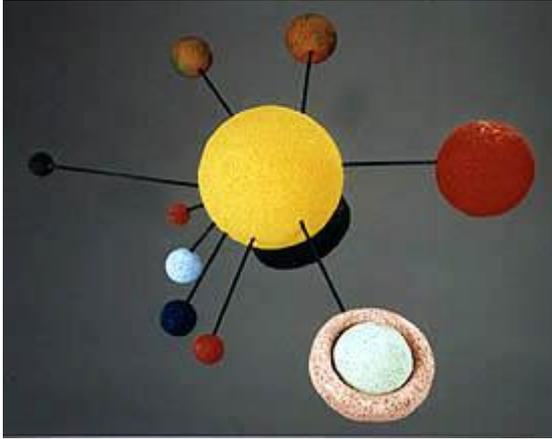
You will need:

- Pony Beads
 - 64 Green
 - 32 Olive
 - 3 Shiny Green
 - 2 1/2 yards Clear Plastic Lacing,
 - or 1/4" Ribbon

Instructions:

1. First Row: Fold cord in half then string 3 pony beads onto centre of the cord.
2. Second Row: Thread 3 beads onto one side of lace then thread the other end of the lace through the same 3 beads in the opposite direction. (Step 1).
3. Third - Seventh Row: Using diagram as a guide, repeat threading beads in the same manner.
4. Feet: Thread 4 Olive beads onto lace then thread the lace back through the first Olive bead. (Step 2).
5. Eighth Row: Thread beads onto lace. Make opposite foot then thread lace through same beads. (Step 3).
6. Repeat this technique to the end referring to illustration for bead placement. Tie ends of lace together. Attach to a key chain ring, or zipper pull if desired.

The “Real” Solar System



Get ‘real’ with an accurate model of the solar system. Take an imaginary journey into space with this scaled model that you can make! Position the planets in orbit around the sun for totally far out fun!

You will need:

- Two 4 ½" Styrofoam® Rings
- One each Styrofoam® balls (1", 2", 2 ½", 3", 4", 6")
- 2 each Styrofoam® balls (1 ¼", 1 ½")
- 12" x 36" Styrofoam® rectangle
- Acrylic paint (Bright Yellow, Black, Orange, Blue Danube, Ultra Blue, Christmas Green, Bright Red, Village Green, Nectar Coral, Terra Cotta, Seminole Green and Purple)
- 2 Wood dowel rods 36" x 1/8"
- Paint brush
- Toothpicks
- Ruler
- Craft snips
- Tacky glue

Instructions:

1. Cut the dowel rods to the lengths shown on the chart below. Paint them Black and stand them in a Styrofoam sheet to dry.
2. **Note: you may need adult supervision to trim the dowels.**
3. Using the chart as a guide, glue the cut dowels into the corresponding Styrofoam balls then paint each ball. When two colours are given paint the ball with the first colour, let it dry then dab on spots of the second colour with your finger.
4. Glue the sun to the black ring and the coral ring around Saturn.
5. Place a rubber band around the sun about 2 ½" above the base. This will be your guide for placing the planets. Starting with Mercury, glue the dowels into the sun about 1" below the rubber band. Remove the rubber band when all of the planets are attached.

Planet	Size of Ball	Colour	Dowel Length
Sun (Ring for Base)	6"	Bright Yellow Black	
Mercury	1"	Orange	2 ½"
Venus	1 ½"	Deep Danube	4"
Earth	1 ½"	Ultra Blue/Christmas Green	5"
Mars	1 ¼"	Bright Red	6"
Jupiter	4"	Orange	7"
Saturn	3"	Village Green/Nectar Coral	8"
Saturn's Ring		Nectar Coral	
Uranus	2 ½"	Terra Cotta/Seminole Green	10"
Neptune	2"	Seminole Green/Terra Cotta	11 ½"
Pluto	1 ¼"	Purple	14"

Recycled Stationery

Don't throw away old greeting cards! Use them to make new ones, plus a whole bunch of gift items.

You will need:

- Brown paper bag
- Wrapping paper
- Greeting cards
- Black marker
- Paper glue and fabric glue
- Decorative edge scissors
- Ruler



Instructions:

1. Cut designs and patterns, etc from old cards, wrapping paper or fabric with plain or decorative edge scissors then use to decorate the following stationery items you can make from old grocery bags:
2. Note-Cards. Trace around a used envelope then draw another line 1/8" inside first line. Cut out along inside line. Fold brown paper in half. Place one long edge of pattern along the fold of paper. Trace and cut out.
3. Envelopes. Open up a used envelope, trace around it onto brown paper and cut out. Fold envelope using original one as a guide.
4. Ornaments, Gift Tags, or Magnets. Cut out design and glue onto brown paper. Cut out brown paper, leaving a 1/8" to 1/4" border. For magnets, glue one on centre back of brown paper. For ornaments or gift tags, punch a hole at centre top of design. Insert a string through the hole then knot ends.
5. To finish, make tiny stitch marks around the design or around the edges of your note card or envelope. Write in your own personal messages. Add tiny ribbon bows, tassels, or charms for a special decoration.

Insects on the Move - "Spider"



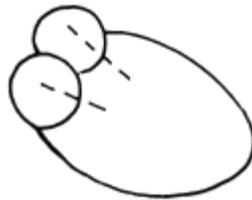
Meet the true crawlers of the insect world, as you learn how to make your bug models actually move!

You will need:

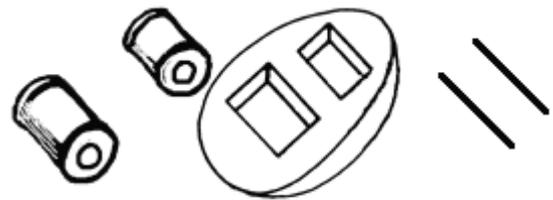
- 4" Styrofoam® egg
- 2 Styrofoam® 1" balls
- 3 Slices of white bread
- Green glitter gel
- Two 20mm Wiggle eyes
- 2 Wood 1" spools
- 2 Green 6mm chenille stems
- Craft stick
- 4 Toothpicks



Dig out holes with a craft stick.



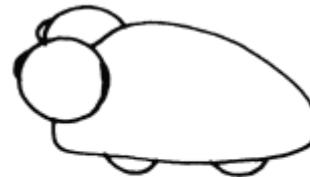
Attach eyes to body with toothpicks.



Secure spools in holes on underside of body with toothpicks.



Make sure the spools spin freely.



Push gently and watch them roll!

Instructions:

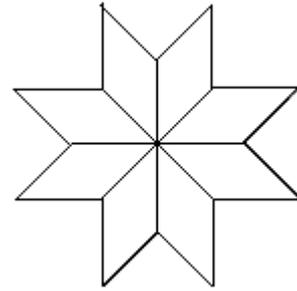
1. Cut Styrofoam egg in half lengthwise with a plastic knife. **Hint:** To make cutting easier, rub the knife edge with a candle. Rub the two Styrofoam pieces together to sand the edges. Dig out two hollow areas for spool on the flat side of egg half with a craft stick. Press smooth with your finger.
2. Insert a toothpick into each of the Styrofoam balls and the other end into the rounded side of the egg to form the eyes.
3. Crumble the bread into fine pieces. With a craft stick, mix with two tablespoons glitter gel and two teaspoons of water in a disposable dish. Spread the mixture over the bug's back and eye balls as if frosting a cake. Press the wiggle eyes onto the eyeballs before the surface dries. Set aside overnight to thoroughly dry.
4. Turn upside down. Place the spools in the recessed area, then push a toothpick through the side of the body near to the edge, through the centre of the spool and into the opposite side. Check to see that the spools are not touching the Styrofoam and can spin freely.
5. Make holes for legs on the sides of the body with a toothpick. Cut each chenille stem into three equal parts then glue one end into the holes. Shape as shown in illustration.

Stained Glass

Glue and paper are all you need to create beautiful 'stick-on' stained glass. You can try three different glues to create different finishes and texture.

You will need:

- 4 Colours non-bleeding tissue paper
- Paint brush
- Pencil
- Tracing paper
- Clear acrylic plastic sheet
- White glue
- Glitter glues and gels Scissors



Instructions:

1. Trace your design onto tracing paper. Assign a number to each colour then number each space on the pattern according to the colour you will use. Place the clear acrylic sheet on top. Place a piece of coloured tissue paper over the acrylic sheet and lightly trace around the lines of the section you want in that colour of tissue. Cut it out and place it on your original pattern to help you keep track of your pieces. Continue tracing and cutting out sections in various colours of tissue and then placing them on the original design until all pieces have been cut out.
2. Keep the clear acrylic sheet over the traced design, then one by one, brush glue over each section on the acrylic sheet. Glue the cut tissue paper in place. Brush glue over the tissue being very careful not to press too hard, which may move or rip your tissue. Glue all the sections down, then cover the entire surface again with a heavy layer of glue. Let glue dry at least one hour.
3. Working very slowly, squeeze a line of glitter glue or gel over all seams. Try to keep all your lines the same thickness. You can use one colour of glitter or several colours. Let your design dry overnight.
4. When your design is completely dry, it will easily lift off the clear acrylic sheet. Trim the edges to make them even. Stick to your window by moistening the window with some water on a paper towel. Don't make it too wet; just wipe the window with the wet towel and press your 'Faux Stained Glass' design onto the wet area.

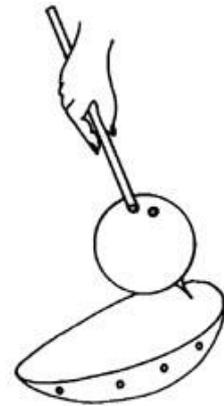
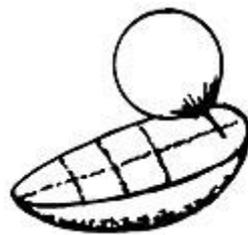
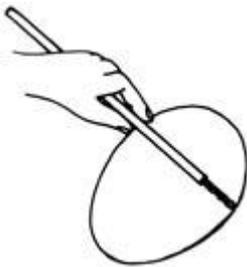
Options: For a glossy finish, use tacky glue. Use fabric glue if you would like to make a panel that can be hung in a window. When the fabric glue is dry the acrylic sheet will stay in place. You will then be able to cut around both your design and the acrylic sheet.

Upright Insects

Bet you haven't seen a bug like this one in your back yard! If bugs walked on back legs, this is what they might look like. Have fun with a new technique using Styrofoam, tissue paper and even a little glitter glue.

You will need:

- 4" Styrofoam® egg
- 1" Styrofoam® ball
- 4 Black 6mm chenille stems
- Sheet Dark Green tissue paper
- Sheet Light Green tissue paper
- Scissors
- Two 7mm Wiggle eyes
- School glue
- Green glitter gel
- Craft stick
- Toothpick
- Paintbrush



Instructions:

1. Cut Styrofoam egg in half using a plastic knife. Hint: It will be easier to cut if you rub an old candle over the cutting edge of the knife. Rub the two halves together to sand any rough edges. Indent chest pattern on the flat side of one half of the egg with a craft stick.
2. Spread glue over the flat side of the egg using a wet paintbrush. Make sure to cover all indented areas. Place a 5" square of light green tissue paper over the glued area, pressing lightly with the craft stick into each of chest indentations. Trim away excess tissue paper, leaving 1/2" around the edges. Glue these edges to the back of the egg. Allow to dry.
3. Spread glue over the back of the egg then place a 5" square of dark green tissue paper on the back. Trim away excess so that it's even with the sides. Cut one 5" square piece of light green tissue paper and set aside. You will use this piece for the head. Cut remaining tissue paper into 1" squares. Spread glue over the back of the egg then stick tissue paper squares over the entire back, alternating dark and light. Brush over the top with glue.
4. Spread glue over the Styrofoam ball. Cover with the light green tissue paper. Paint over the tissue with more glue. Cut away excess tissue. Push one end of the toothpick into the ball at the trimmed edge. Cover the rest of the toothpick with glue then insert the opposite end into the front of the body at the top. (This is the rounded part of the egg.)
5. Cut two of the chenille stems into four equal parts to make six arms and two antennae. Fold each of the two remaining chenille stems in half and twist together to make two legs. Use a pencil to poke three holes on each side of the body for the arms, two holes on top of the head for antennae and two holes at the bottom for legs. Dot ends of the chenille with glue then push into place. Glue wiggle eyes onto the face then add a smile using glitter glue. Shape the arms and legs.