

Camp Art Projects

Animal Finger Puppets

Description:

For each puppet, first cut out a pair of 1 5/8- x 3-inch felt rectangles to serve as the front and back of the animal. WOOLEY LAMB: Attach ears horizontally to the front of the lamb. Glue a bit of cotton "wool" to the top of its head and draw on the face. MR HORSE: For ears, cut out a pair of felt ovals (about 1 1/2 inches long). Fold them in half lengthwise and glue together the lower edges. Glue the bases of the ears to the back of the puppet. Add a fringed forelock, white mane and rounded muzzle. Use a marker to draw jawlines and nostrils. PINK PIGGY: For floppy pig ears, use 2-inch felt circles. Attach them as previously described for the horse. For pig cheeks and a snout, glue on 1-inch felt circles. SPOTTED HEIFER: Make cow ears following the same steps used for the horse. Glue on a pink muzzle. Color bold black spots on the ears and face.

Materials: Felt scraps, Craft scissors, Craft glue, Sewing notions, Permanent colored markers, Cotton balls

Apple Dolls

Description:

To start, choose an apple for the doll's head; the bigger the better--the carved fruit will shrink to about two thirds its original size. Red Delicious works especially well, but any variety will do. Peel and core the apple. Carve a face on one side, using the tip of a potato peeler to hollow out deep-set eyes and a paring knife to make a slit for a smile or a frown. For a nose, incise a triangle that extends from between the eyes toward the mouth. Ambitious carvers can add ears, dimples and extra facial creases. Store the carved apple in a dry spot until it shrinks. (You can hasten the wrinkling process by using a dehydrator.) Once the head is dry, use colored markers or water-based paints to enhance the eyes, lips and rosy cheeks To make the body, cut the base off the plastic bottle. Plug the top with a cork to serve as the doll's neck. Wrap the fabric around the body so that it extends beyond the top and the bottom of the bottle. Secure the fabric around the bottleneck with a rubber band and then fold the cloth down. Tuck excess cloth at the base into the bottle. Now top off the doll by gently pushing the cored apple down onto the cork. It generally takes two weeks for the doll's head to dry (longer in humid climates), but kids will agree that the result is worth the wait.

Materials: Apple, Vegetable peeler, Paring knife, Backyard Mural

Backyard Mural

Description:

Start by soaking an old sheet in water and then hanging it on a clothesline or draping it over a fence Get out various tempera paints and applicators -- sponges, paintbrushes, squirt bottles -- and go at it, creating pictures, tic-tac-toe grids, or just colorful designs. You can also mute and mix colors with a water-filled spray bottle. Whenever you don't like what you see, simply hose down the canvas and start over. For art on a smaller scale, try the same techniques with a pillowcase or an old T-shirt

Materials: Old bed sheet, Tempera paints, Paint brushes, Sponges, Squirt bottles

Beanies

Description:

1. Paste the beans to a light colored piece of construction paper. This makes the beans look like they are three dimensional. 2. Paint faces on the beans and draw legs and arms on the paper around the beans. Hands and feet too if you like. 3. You can make them look like fish, or cats, dogs, birds, bugs, whatever you like. You can make them skate, fly, ski, crawl and many other creative things just by drawing accessories around them.

Materials: lima beans, paper glue

Bookmarks

Description:

1. Cut a picture from the cover of a greeting card the size of a bookmark. 2. Punch a hole in the bottom center of the cut out picture. 3. Cut several lengths of thread or yarn and make a tassel through the hole in the bottom of the card.

Materials: Hole punch; Old birthday or holiday cards; Crochet thread or scrap yarn.

Camp Sit-upon

Description:

1. Following the instructions on the package, attach the iron-on vinyl to the right sides of the fabric or large bandanas. Pin the two pieces of fabric together, right sides together. For the handle, cut a piece of the thin cord and tie a knot in each end. Pin the handle on the inside of the two pieces you just pinned together so that when you turn the fabric, the handle will be on the outside. Sew the two pieces together leaving space to turn and stuff. Turn the fabric and stuff with the old pillow or stuffing. Sew the rest of sit-upon together. Take to camp and enjoy!

Materials: 2 pieces of square fabric or 2 large bandannas Iron-on vinyl Iron Scissors Sewing machine and thread Straight pins Old pillow or stuffing Thin cording Hard surface to use for ironing

Can Stilts

Description:

1. Use the bottle/can opener to punch 2 holes in either side of one can towards the top. Repeat with other juice can. Let the juice drain out of the cans (save it in a pitcher, container, etc.). Rinse out the cans with water and allow them to air dry. Cut 2 pieces of rope long enough to go through the holes in the can and up to your child's hands to hold on to. Thread each piece of rope through the holes in the cans. Tie the two ends of each piece of rope together. You should have a loop of rope going through each can that is long enough so your child can hold on to the rope as handles. Use the scissors to cut the different colors of electrical tape and decorate the cans. You can also use the paint to decorate them.

Materials: 2 large (about 64 ounce) juice cans (unopened) Hand bottle/can opener (with the triangular end) 2 long pieces of rope Heavy duty scissors to cut the rope Various colors of electrical tape or various colors of paint and paint brush

CD mirror

Description:

1. Decorate the CD with any colors and designs you wish. Place magnets on the back and put in locker.

Materials: Old CD or Internet CD Multiple color "painters" paint markers Magnets with sticky side or magnet sheet

Child's Hand Prints Wreath

Description:

1. Cut muslin square to desired size. Trace circle in pencil for size of wreath. Paint green paint onto child's hand and randomly place around wreath continue until you have a nice full wreath, but not so much as to cover the hand imprints Using red make berries

Materials: Muslin (light colored fabric), any size Tempera paint, green and red Paintbrushes Pencil

Cone Puppet

Description:

Make a puppet out of a party hat, a stick, a Styrofoam ball, some material, and hot glue. This craft is best for attentive campers and a small group.

Materials: party hat -long stick(diameter no bigger than that of a nickel) - Styrofoam ball(golf ball size) -scissors -material(~50cm x 50cm) -lots of hot glue

DIRECTIONS: 1. Take Styrofoam ball and push stick halfway through the ball. This is the head. If it falls off, add a dab of hot glue in the hole to keep it in place. 2. Set stick aside and remove elastic string from party hat. Hot glue the material around the party hat and cut off excess material. 3. Glue more material on the inside of the large opening of the party hat. 4. Slide the party hat onto the stick with the open side facing up. 5. Glue the loose ends of the extra material at the base of the Styrofoam ball and glue any holes in the fabric shut. 6. Cut off any extra material at the base of the Styrofoam ball or leave it on if you prefer. 7. At this point, you should be able to slide your cone up and down over the puppet. 8. Decorate! **To make a hat for your puppet, take some leftover material and place a pompom in the center of it. Take the ends of the fabric together and tie a string right under the pompom to make a bundle-type object. Then you can hot glue it onto your puppet's head.

Cork Horse

Description:

1. Stick one toothpick into large end of the large cork. Angle the toothpick upward for the horse's neck. 2. Stick another toothpick into the small end of the large cork. Angle this toothpick downward for the horse's tail. 3. Stick four toothpicks for legs, on what will be the underside of the horse's body. 4. Glue yarn strips along both the tail and neck toothpicks until covered. This is the mane and the tail hair. 5. Stick the large end of the smaller cork onto the neck for the horse's head. 6. Glue the googly eyes or beads onto the head for eyes. You can just make the eyes with black marker if you prefer. 7. Glue two, small pieces of brown or black felt or colored paper on the head for ears. 8. If desired, you can cut small pieces of scrap felt or material into the shape of a saddle and glue it onto the

horse's back.

Materials: 2 corks (one large and a smaller one); Toothpicks; black, brown or yellow scrap yarn; black or brown felt (you can substitute this with piece of paper colored brown or black; 2 black beads or googly eyes; glue

Crayon Scratching

Description:

1. Color a design on the white paper with various colors of crayons. Color darkly. After the page is covered with color, color over the whole thing with black crayon. Press down hard so all of the other colors are covered by the black. Use the paper clip or pen to scratch out your own fireworks display

Materials: Crayons of various colors, one must be black, white paper, paper clip

Curtain Rings Picture Frame

Description:

1. Cut Photo to fit back of curtain ring. 2. Glue photo to back of curtain ring. 3. Screw small frame hanger into the top of the curtain ring. 4. Hang many photos together in a small nook.

Materials: Favorite Photo; Wooden/Painted Shower Curtain rings; Glue; Photo Frame Hook Hanger (With screw-in tip).

Daisy Fun

Description:

1. Take the Popsicle stick and cover it with the green florist tape. you will probably have to go over it more than once to cover the light spots. Set aside. 2. Paint your teardrop Woodsies white and your circle yellow. Let Dry on wax paper. Make sure to paint both sides. 3. Glue teardrops to the back of the circle, placing the teardrops side by side at an angle. Let Dry. 4. Glue the Popsicle stick to the finished flower. Let Dry. 5. If you like, you can decorate the flower with acrylic rhinestones or some other embellishment to jazz it up a bit! Set the finished flower aside. 6. Place candy in the tulle circle and tie with a very small piece of ribbon. Tie in a knot and cut off the excess. 7. Cut a 2 inch piece of the same ribbon and tie the candy to the flower. Make sure that the part with the candy is at the back of the flower part of the daisy. Tie a bow and fluff out the tulle at the stem.

Materials: 1 Popsicle stick; green florist tape; 6 medium Forster Woodsies Teardrops; 1 medium Forster Woodsies Circle; yellow and white paint; thin yellow ribbon; wax paper; tacky glue; tulle circle; your favorite candy.

Dancing Spoons

Description:

1. Wrap yarn around a piece of cardboard (which is slightly longer than the size of the spoon) several times until enough yarn has been wrapped to make a hula type skirt which will be wrapped around spoon. Remove yarn from hand and cut through all layers of one side of loops. 2. Take center of each strand of yarn and place at very top of spoon (bowl end) and wrap yarn around bowl of spoon like hair. 3. Take elastic band and wrap around neck of spoon to separate hair from flowing skirt. Pull strands completely around handle of spoon to form skirt. 4.

Make opening at inside spoon bowl to make a face with marker. 5. Glue a cotton ball on each side of the elastic band for arms.

Materials: Scrap yarn (any colors); 1 plastic spoon (buy a bag if using for group project); Markers; Cotton balls; tiny elastic bands; small amount of glue

Disco Balls

Description:

1. Take a brass paper fastener and stick the piece of yarn between the two metal flaps.
2. Take the paper fastener with the yarn attached and stick it into the styrofoam ball.
3. Hold the yarn as close to the string as possible and paint glue all around the ball.
4. With the glue all over the ball, you can either roll the ball in silver glitter or shake the glitter over the ball.
5. Hang the ball to dry, and you have a mini disco ball!

Materials: Styrofoam balls (size 2.5" works the best) Brass Fasteners Yarn (each cut from 6-10 inches) White glue Paint brushes Silver glitter

Dough Handprints

Description:

1. Add food coloring to the water. I use pink for girls, blue for boys. Mix all ingredients well, kneading until smooth. Dough should be pretty stiff, not soft or runny or it will fill with air bubbles when baking. Form dough into a ball, of about what you can enclose in your two hands, and form into a round smooth ball. Using a rolling pin with the dough on wax paper, roll out into as round of a circle as you can. Dough will be about 1/2 inch thick. Press your child's hand with fingers splayed into the dough. Depending on child's age, you will have to help and individually press their fingers. Make sure to press deep enough without going completely to the bottom. (When it bakes it tends to raise the handprint up.) Put on a cookie sheet. Use a chop stick or pencil, etc. to make two holes in the top about 1/2 inch apart. This will be used to string the ribbon through. Bake at 200 degrees for about 2-3 hours. Dough should be fairly hard but watch to see that it doesn't burn. When they are done and cooled, use a gold marker pen and write the child's name and date (year). I put the child's name on top and the year on bottom, if there is room. If not, I put name on one side and year on one side. I tie a ribbon at the top (blue or pink - or gold) to use as a loop to hang.

Materials: 2 cups of flour 1 cup salt 1 cup water Food coloring Ribbon Gold marker Wax paper

EGG CARTON ANIMALS

Description:

CATERPILLAR Separate 4, 5, or 6 cups from an egg carton. Using the point of a scissors, an adult should make 2 small holes at one end for the antennae. Insert pipe cleaners for the antennae. Add eyes, a mouth, and decorate. **LADYBUG** Separate one cup from an egg carton. Using markers or tempera paint, children can paint the egg carton cup red. Then, using black paint, color in the head, and make spots on the body. Using the point of a scissors, an adult should make 6 small holes (3 on each side) at the base of the cup (these will be for the legs). Make 2 small holes (for antennae) where the top of the head will be. Insert a

black pipe cleaner into each a side hole and out the other side for the legs. Use half a pipe cleaner for the antennae. Glue on googly eyes or paint on white eyes.

SPIDER Separate one cup from an egg carton. Using the point of a scissors, an adult should make 8 small holes (4 on each side) at the base of the cup. Insert a pipe cleaner into each of the holes

Materials: egg cartons, crayons or markers, scissors, and pipe cleaners. Googly eyes are a nice touch. A cork (or similar object) is needed for the camel's head

Egg Carton Caterpillar

Description:

1. Cut the cover of the egg carton off and discard. Cut the bottom of egg carton in half lengthwise. Note: 1 egg carton will make two caterpillars.
2. Paint both halves with bright colors. You can paint each egg slot a different color if you like.
3. Cut the pipe cleaner and insert two pieces into the head end of the caterpillar for antennae.
4. Glue the googly eyes onto the head. If using white felt, cut into small circles for eyes and use marker to make black pupils in the eyes.

Materials: 1 egg carton; paint (bright colors); pipe cleaner; glue; googly eyes or white felt scraps and black marker; scissors.

Faux Fossils

Description:

For each "fossilized" item, place a large ball of clay on a piece of waxed paper and flatten it into a thick circle. Make an impression in the clay by gently pressing in the object and then removing it. Prepare some plaster of Paris according to the package directions so that it has a smooth but thick consistency. Spoon plaster into each impression, thoroughly filling it in. Let the plaster dry completely (about 30 to 60 minutes), then peel away the "clay" to reveal the fossil.

Materials: Natural objects, such as shells, acorns or pinecones, Modeling clay, Waxed paper, Plaster of Paris Container for mixing

Fork Wind Chime

Description:

1. Spread several layers of newspaper on work area. Flatten down the forks, just tap with the hammer. Bang the tips so it could play better. Now glue 2 forks together at a time to the string -- just barely dab a drop of glue. Glue the crepe paper to the pole. Glue the string, with forks attached, to the pole. Let it dry for about 20 minutes or more and then hang them up and enjoy!

Materials: Newspapers (to pad work area) Forks (old ones) Hammer Pole (2 feet long) Crepe paper (3 feet long) Thick string (25 centimeters/10 inch long lengths) Strong craft glue

Hand Puppets

Description:

This is cool and kids can get really creative here. Use nonpermanent colored ink pens for this fun activity. Have kids clench their hands into a fist with their thumbs being wrapped by the other fingers. By moving their thumbs it can be a mouth. They can draw faces on their hands. Play their favorite songs and have the puppet mouths sing songs.

Materials: Non permanent colored pens

Heart Shaped Wreath

Description:

Take one long, very pliable branch and bend in the middle. If the branch is green enough, it won't snap. Continue folding the ends around and cross them at the bottom of the heart shape. Tie the ends together where they cross with a short piece of floral wire. Wrap and twine the rest of your branches around this main shape. Use floral wire where needed to hold the branches in place. Use branches without leaves for the main bulk of the wreath, but as you get closer to the outside, include some small branches with leaves left on them. Eucalyptus branches are wonderful to use for this project. The new growth branches are reddish in color, great for a Valentine's Day wreath, and they smell great too!

Materials: Branches and twigs from any tree or bush light weight floral wire, wire clippers and garden clippers dried flowers, or other decorations if desired

Iron Campers

Description:

This activity is similar to "Iron Chef America" but instead of a set amount of edible ingredients, campers receive a set amount of natural "ingredients" (i.e. 10 sticks, 4 rocks, 9 leaves and two pine cones). The object of this activity is to give each camper identical amounts of natural supplies and let their imaginations go to work. Inform campers that they can make monsters, animals, sculptures, or really anything of their hearts desire. Allow them ample time to complete the activity. Once all campers are finished, have them go around in a circle explaining the sculpture/monster/animal/etc. they've created!

Materials: Natural supplies (rocks, pine cones, leaves, sticks, basically anything found outside) Glue

Kachina Doll Craft

Description:

Hot glue the ping-pong ball to the top of the small, plastic bottle, and let the glue cool and set for a few minutes. Give the body (the small, plastic bottle) a coat of paint (you can pick a simple white or beige, or choose a less traditional bright color). Let the paint dry. Using small brushes or markers, draw the doll's facial features and hair (on the ping-pong ball). Let the paint dry. Then decorate the body to represent a beautiful kimono (a traditional Japanese gown). Let the paint dry. You now have a beautiful Kachina doll. Make two slits opposite each other in a toilet paper tube - they should go about a third of the way up the tube. Make two short cuts at the ends of each slit you just made, cutting a "T" shape on each side of the roll (the flaps under the "T"s will be the legs of the doll). Curve each of the two flaps you just made into small cylinders - these will be the doll's legs. Make sure that the edges meet exactly. Use tape to secure each cylinder (doll's leg). Using hot glue, attach a Styrofoam ball or a ping-pong ball to the top of the tube (this will be the doll's head). You can use other objects for the head, like modeling clay or a small box. If the ball is a bit too small for the tube, make a series of cuts along the top of the cardboard tube, forming flaps. Then fold the flaps into the tube. Glue the ball to the flaps. Let the glue cool and set. First, think of the theme that your doll will represent. Then you can decorate and dress your doll. Paint the head and let it dry. Then draw in the facial features using markers

or paint. To make hair, glue on bits of yarn or felt scraps (or something else!). Cover the body and legs with pieces of construction paper, felt and/or fabric. Glue them to the doll (hot glue works well with felt and fabric - tape or glue is better for construction paper). Decorate the figure by gluing on feathers, beads, buttons, shells, ribbons, and/or other decorative objects. Make a base (oval, circular, rectangular or another shape) for your doll out of thick cardboard. Think of your doll's theme when making its base. If your doll represented water, you could design a base that looked like a pool of water; if your doll represented the sun, the base could look like a sunburst. Using hot glue, attach the Kachina doll to its base. Decorate the base using paint, paper, beads, or anything else that fits into the theme of your Kachina doll.

Materials: A toilet paper or other cardboard tube Scissors Tape Hot glue (and paper glue if you're using construction paper for the clothing) A Styrofoam ball or a ping-pong ball (or other object for the doll's head, like clay or a small box) Tempera paint, acrylic paint and/or markers Brushes Scraps of construction paper, felt and/or fabric Yarn Feathers, beads, buttons, shells, ribbons, and other decorative objects Thick cardboard, cut from a sturdy box (for the doll's base)

Kaleidoscope

Description:

1. Use the electrical tape to tape the 3 (long sides) pieces of Plexiglas together to form a triangle. Put a piece of plastic wrap over one end of the taped pieces of Plexiglas and stretch it tight. Cut the pieces of thin colored plastic into tiny triangle or square shapes (about 1/4"-1/2" in size). Place the pieces of colored plastic in the clear film canister. Push the Plexiglas shape with the plastic wrap first into the clear film canister. Do not push the Plexiglas shape all the way down into the clear container as you will want the pieces to be able to move freely. Use the ice pick or something sharp to poke a hole in the bottom of the black film canister. Place the black canister over the other end of the Plexiglas shape. Use the electrical tape to tape the two film canisters together. To use: Point up at the light, look through, and turn the canister to see the shapes move.

Materials: 2 film canisters, one clear and one black 3 small rectangular pieces of thin Plexiglas, about 1" by 3" Black electrical tape Scissors Small piece of plastic wrap Pieces of thin colored plastic (see tips) Ice pick or something similar with sharp point

Little Log Cabin Craft

Description:

Mark the cardboard box so that it looks like a house. For a traditional-style house, make the shorter sides have triangle tops, and cut the longer sides to meet the short ends. Cut the cardboard along your markings, making a house shape. Mark the doors and windows. Cut out the windows. Cut only three sides of each door (leave one long side to act as the door's hinge). Optional - Cut small squares of acetate that fit around each window. Glue the acetate on each window to look like glass. Measure, cut and glue twigs to the box. Use hot glue - liquid glue does not work well in this project. The only tricky part is by the hinge of the doors - if you glue twigs too close to the door hinge the door will not open all the way. To finish the doors, glue on smaller twigs. For a doorknob, use a very short twig. For the roof, cut a rectangle of cardboard that is about an inch longer and wider than the top of the house. Fold the rectangle in half. Place the roof on

the house. Optional: If you want a chimney on your cabin, find a small box (like a macaroni mix box). Cut it in half and cut off the ends of the box. Cut out a triangle on each of the short sides (this is where the chimney will fit along the top of the roof). Glue the box to the top of the roof. Glue tiny pebbles to the box.

Materials: A small cardboard box (we used ones about 9 inches by 12 inches by 9 inches) A sheet of cardboard (for the roof) Hot glue (you'll need a lot) Craft knife (to cut the cardboard) Garden shears (to cut the twigs) A lot of twigs (choose the straightest ones you can find) Pencil Optional: Acetate (for the windows) Optional: Tiny pebbles and a tiny box (for a chimney)

Locker Organizer

Description:

1. Using scissors cut the box at a diagonal so that it looks like a magazine holder. Cut 2 square pieces of cardboard that are about 4 inches by 4 inches. Cover all of the pieces with the Con-Tact paper. Cut a vertical slit in each square piece until you only have about 1.5 inches at the top of each piece. Slide the 2 pieces together so that you now have a divider for your box. If desired, add a magnet to the side, back, or both to help keep the box from falling over. Place the divider in the box and put it in your locker to store all of your stuff: hairbrushes, pens and pencils, loose change, etc.

Materials: Toastette or Pop-Tart box (or small cardboard box) Scissors Con-Tact paper, any color or pattern Piece of heavier cardboard Self-Adhesive Magnet, optional

Lollipop Friends

Description:

1. Glue the eyes on the Styrofoam ball (or paint them on) 2. Cut a small triangle from the black felt for a nose, glue on. (You may also use a bead for a nose) 3. Cut two small strips from the black felt for the eyebrows, glue on. 4. Cut a mouth (any shape you like) from the red felt and glue on. 5. Glue strips of yarn on the head of the face you have made for hair. 6. When you are sure that everything is glued on well and dry, stick the lollipop stick into the bottom of the head where the neck would be

Materials: Small Styrofoam balls (2-3" round); Small googly eyes (available at craft stores) or you can use beans, beads or just paint eyes and nose on.; Small scraps of felt (brown, black, red, blue); Small scraps of colorful yarn; lollipop sticks; glue.

Lollipop Puppets

Description:

They used Royal Icing to attach candies to the lollipops. For a monster puppet, they used gummy-ring eyes, candy-corn fangs and a slimy gummy-worm smile. Mini puppet people can be made with smaller lollipops, adding M&M's Minis eyes and a shoestring-licorice smile.

Materials: Lollipop Royal Icing or frosting Assorted candies

Macaroni Picture Frame

Description:

1. Paint the lid and let it dry 2. Glue the macaroni noodles all around the edge of the lid 3. Paint the noodles all different colors and let dry 4. Glue the picture inside of the lid 5. Glue a loop of string on the top, back side of the lid for hanging.

Materials: 1 lid from a peanut butter jar make sure fully washed to avoid allergies; 1 picture to fit in the lid; some uncooked macaroni noodles; paint; glue.

Macramé Bracelets

Description:

1. To make a bracelet, you need two strands of hemp, one twice as long as the other. (The lengths will depend on the hemp's width, but a 60- and a 30-inch length should fit most kids' wrists.) Fold each strand in half. Hold the two midpoints together and tie a loop with them. Hang the loop over a nail or tape it to a board. You should now have four strands; put the shorter two in the middle. 2. Lay the left outside strand over the middle two strands (it should look like the number four), then under the right outside strand. 3. Bring the outside right strand under the middle two strands and up through the loop of the four. Pull the ends of the outside strands tight. This is the basic knot. To continue, simply alternate the side from which you start the knot. 4. To add a bead, slip it onto the middle two strands, then tie the knot. When your bracelet is done, slip a four-holed button onto the four strands (one strand in each hole), then knot each strand end and snip off any extra hemp.

Materials: Hemp cord, scissors, tape, beads and buttons

Magic Star Wand

Description:

1. If using cookie cutter, cut a star from the styrofoam. If using pattern ask for grown up assistance to cut the star pattern from the styrofoam. 2. Coat one side of the star and the edges with white craft glue and sprinkle with gold or silver glitter. Allow to dry completely then do the same on back side of star. 3. Insert the sipping straw into base of star taking care not to bend the straw. Note: You can also use a straight stick painted your color of choice for the wand. This will be much more sturdy than the straw. 4. Tie the ribbons together at one end and glue the knotted end to the base of the star where the straw or stick has been inserted.

Materials: Styrofoam; 4" to 5" square; Star cookie cutter (or star pattern); 1 long straight sipping straw (painted, straight stick may be used for a more sturdy wand.); silver or gold glitter; craft glue; 3 or 4 strips of scrap ribbon, color of choice, 8" to 10" long.

Magical Puff Paint

Description:

1. First, add some glue into a small disposable container. 2. Then add food coloring to the glue. 3. Next, add some shaving cream to the glue and food coloring mixture. 4. Stir until all shaving cream is colored, You might have to add more food coloring. 5. Make all sorts of different colors in separate disposable containers. 6. Paint pictures with your mixtures. But paint it on THICK so it is

puffed up off of the paper. 7. Let dry and see your magical puffed shaving cream art.

Materials: White glue; Shaving Cream; Food coloring; Paint brushes.

Make an Ornament

Description:

Take the top off the ornament then pour the paints(the colors they chose).Then put the top back on and shake it up and take the lid off and dump the extra paint out and blow dry for 1 min. or more.

Materials: Materials-clear plastic ornament that can be filled with paint, colorful paints, hair dryer

Midsummer Wreath

Description:

1. Soak the reeds in a roasting pan of warm water until they're flexible, about 15 minutes. Dry the excess water from the reeds, and then bend them into a circle, overlapping the ends. Have a partner help you tie the reeds together with twine. Tie tight double knots, and then cut off the extra twine. Let the reeds dry for about 15 minutes, and then tie the one end of the 5 foot ribbon around the wreath. Wrap the ribbon loosely around the wreath. Leave gaps so that the reeds show through. Cut the flower stems to three inches. Weave the flowers into the wreath or tie them on with ribbon. Add ribbon bows and you're finished!

Materials: Bundle of reeds, 1 inch thick and 2 feet long. Roasting pan Paper towels Twine Scissors Piece of ribbon 5 feet long Dried flowers Extra ribbon for bows

Milk Jug Animal Masks

Description:

Use the craft knife to cut off the top of the jug, leaving the handle intact (a parent's job Use scissors to cut apart the alligator's jaws, snipping down from the top of one side, around the bottom, and up the other side of the jug . Snip jagged teeth along the cut edge Glue on nostrils made from two semicircles of leftover plastic Paint the mask with green acrylic paint To make each eye, cut a hole in green felt large enough for the cap to poke through, then wrap the felt around the plastic base and glue it down; glue on both eyes. Punch a hole in the inside corner of each jaw and use the ties to join top to bottom

Materials: 1 one-gallon plastic jug and the top of a second, with caps, Craft knife, Scissors, Craft glue, Red, green, and white acrylic paints, paintbrushes, Green felt, Hole punch, 2 twist ties

Mini Truck Box Template

Description:

1. Print the template below on the cardboard stock. Make sure you print on the 'bad' or 'ugly' side of the cardboard so the template will result in the inside of the truck. 2. Score along the fold lines (dotted lines) for easier folding and cut out the truck shape. 3. Using a craft knife (Kids, get an adult's help!) cut out the lines indicated in red on the "back" and "base" panels. 4. Fold along the fold lines and

pop out the wheels off the "base" panel by folding the "side" and "base" panels up (see Fig.

- 1). 5. Glue the "base" panel to the other "side" panel by applying glue to the strip of the "base" panel (see Fig.
- 2). 6. Stand the truck up and glue down the "front" panel to the glue strips of the "side" panels (see Fig.
- 3). 7. You can now place a gift inside the truck and close the back doors by sliding the semi-circle into the straight-line cut on the "back" panels. (The truck opens and closes just like a real truck!) 8. Using color crayons or paints, decorate your Truck Box by adding windows, door handles, lights, license plate and tires. (You can also paint the name of the recipient on the truck or license plate if using as a gift box!).

Materials: A4 or Letter sized cardboard (color of your choice) - Glue - Scissors and craft knife - Cutting mat - Crayons or Paints

Mouse Magnet

Description:

1. Cut the Styrofoam ball in half. 2. Glue small magnet on cut side of egg. 3. Cut some tiny eyes and a nose from the felt scraps and glue them onto the thinnest end of the egg shaped Styrofoam. 4. Cut two small pieces of the pipe cleaner to make loops for the ears and glue them on. 5. Use the other half of the pipe cleaner for a tail and glue it on. 6. Glue 3 tiny tree twigs on both sides of the nose.

Materials: 1 Styrofoam ball (about the size of a small mouse) If possible, get an egg shaped Styrofoam ball, this works perfect; glue; scissors; scrap felt; 1 long pipe cleaner; 6 tiny, tiny tree twigs (for mouse whiskers).

Nature Pictures

Description:

1. Decide what theme you would like to use, such as autumn leaves or seashells.
2. When you have decided, find and collect a variety of leaves, stones, seashells, feathers, seeds, tiny pinecones, acorns, or whatever you have decided to use for your picture theme.
3. Get a large piece of matte board or poster board and arrange your nature collection into the design you would like for your picture.
4. Once you have your nature design arranged the way you want, glue each nature item in its place on the poster board.

Materials: Anything you find in nature

Owl Paper Plate Craft

Description:

On one paper plate, fold about a third of the plate over (have the bottom of the plate facing forward). This paper plate will be the owl's head. On the folded part, cut two short slits and fold them back up. (These will be the owl's tufts - although they look like ears, they are only feathers. An owl's ears are simple holes on the sides of the head). Glue the center section down. Glue googly eyes on the folded-down section (or cut two large circles and glue them down, then draw a dark dot in the center). Using construction paper, cut a small half-circle with a little square off the rounded side. Curve the edges around, forming a cone. Glue or staple it shut. Glue the cone to the paper plate (using the rectangle, folded

inside the cone), just beneath the folded part of the paper plate. Glue or staple the head to another paper plate. Cut another paper plate in half (these will be the wings). Glue or staple the wings to the body at a slight angle. Using construction paper, cut two tiny feet. Glue them to the body. Color in the owl, drawing feathers, wings, or other patterns.

Materials: 3 paper plates Yellow, brown or orange construction paper Scissors
Glue (or a stapler) Googly eyes (optional) Crayons, paint or markers

Party Supplies

Description:

1. Cut the construction paper into 10" x 10" or 12" x 12" pieces. Shape into a party hat (funnel style). With hole punch, punch a hole in both sides of bottom of hat evenly across from each other for yarn ties. Tie a piece of yarn into a knot on both holes leaving enough yarn dangling to tie under child's chin. 2. Pass out a napkin; cup completed hat, and a plate to each child attending the party. 3. Allow each child to decorate their party supplies the way they want with stickers, markers, and stamps, paints and crayons.

Materials: Napkins (plain, white); stamps, stickers or markers; construction paper in variety of colors; paper plates (plain, white); Styrofoam cups (white); hole punch; scraps of yarn.

Picture Collage Ideas

Description:

After making collage, get several color copies or use your scanner and color printer to make copies. You can frame one, put magnets on the back, and hang it in your locker. You can make a smaller copy and cut and fold it around a plastic juice can for a pencil holder. You can slip one in the front of a 3-ring notebook. Cover a pencil box with your collage.

Materials: Collage of pictures of friends, family, etc. Scissors and glue to assemble collage Color copy machine or scanner and color printer Other items: see below for ideas

Picture Holder

Description:

1. Trace and cut five butterflies from assorted colors of construction paper. 2. Use a black marker to draw designs on each butterfly. Punch out designs along edges of the butterfly wings with hand punches. 3. Apply double sided tape along center back of each butterfly. Adhere to a piece of white paper. Trim edges of white paper around each butterfly leaving a 1/8" border around the edges. 4. Glue each butterfly to the top, flat side of each clothespin. Let dry. 5. Cut a 36" length of 18 gauge wire. Bend a loop for hanging on either end, twisting ends to secure. Clip clothespin butterflies along length of wire and attach photos of friends and family. 1. Glue a gemstone to the center of each butterfly.

Materials: Pacon® SunWorks™ construction paper – white, pink, orange, turquoise, green Fiskars® Hand punches and Softouch® craft snips 5 Spring clothespins 18 Gauge wire Double sided tape Gemstones Black marker Pencil Scissors

Pine Cone Bird Feeder

Description:

Tie a few feet of string to a pine cone. Cover the pine cone with the mixture below. Roll the pinecone in birdseed and then suspend it from a tree branch outside. Food mixture: Mix 1/2 cup vegetable shortening, lard or suet with 2 1/2 cups cornmeal or uncooked oats until well blended. Optional: add dried fruit (chopped up), chopped nuts, seeds (especially sunflower and millet), and/or suet, which are high-energy bird foods.

Materials: A large, open pine cone Vegetable shortening, lard or suet Oats or corn meal Bird seed A few feet of string

Pipe Cleaner Flowers

Description:

1. Bend the pipe cleaners into flower petal shapes and twist the ends together leaving about 1" free. 2. Glue the pipe cleaner petals onto fabric; cut out each petal from the fabric. 3. With wire, wrap together the one inch ends of 5 petals, leaving a length of wrapping wire free to serve as stem. Trim with yarn pompons.

Materials: Large pipe cleaners in assorted colors; glue; scraps of fabric; scissors; florist or jewelry wire; pompons

Rain Stick

Description:

Trace around the end of your tube onto a piece of brown paper (or construction paper). Draw a bigger circle around that circle and then draw a lot of spokes between the two circles. Cut along the spokes. Put glue on the spokes and glue the cap onto one end of your tube. Cut a piece of aluminum foil that is about one and half times the length of your tube and about 6 inches wide. Crunch the aluminum foil into two long, thin, snake-like shapes. Then twist each one into a spring shape. Put the aluminum foil springs into your tube. Pour some dry beans, dry rice, or un-popped 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. Make another cap from brown paper (the same as the first three steps) and cap your tube. Optional: Decorate the tube by covering it with brown paper or construction paper, and then making designs with crayons or markers (or cut-out paper or stickers). Rainforest designs are nice, especially brightly-colored butterflies, frogs, and flowers. Tiny construction paper butterflies (like the one on the right) are nice glued onto the rain stick.

Materials: A paper towel tube or other long cardboard tube Aluminum foil Small dried beans (like lentils), un-popped popcorn, dry rice, or tiny pasta. Brown paper (from a grocery bag) or construction paper Glue Scissors Crayons or markers

Rainy Day Puzzles

Description:

1. Glue the front and back of the greeting cards together. 2. Cover the front and back with decoupage glaze, let dry. 3. When completely dry, cut the cards into several pieces. You now have puzzles. 4. Use the envelope to store the pieces

for the next rainy day.

Materials: Old animal or flower greeting cards; glue; Decoupage Glaze; Scissors; envelope.

Rockies

Description:

1. First you must find a rock that you like. It is better if you find a smooth rock. You should find a rock that reminds you of something -- it works best. Now, after you wash the rock, you paint it as something. 3. Next mix water and flour together until it is smooth and has no bumps. It should be fairly watery. Once the paint is dry on your rock put the flour and water mixture on it as a sealer.

Materials: Rock, Paint, Brushes, Flour, Water, Bowl, Spoon, Smock

Sandy Bottles

Description:

1. Spread out the newspaper on your working surface. Place some sand on the board. Take any colored chalk and roll it in the sand, until the sand turns that color. Put the funnel in the bottle. Lift the board and empty the sand into the funnel. Take the stick and make a few bumps in the sand. Repeat steps 2-6, using a different color of sand each time, until the bottle is 1-2 cm (1/2 inch) less than full. If you are using a bottle cap be sure to fill the bottle to the top. Press the sand down firmly, be careful not to move the bottle around or the sand will smudge. If you are using the glue, pour it in to the remaining 1-2 cm (1/2 inch) of the bottle, and leave to dry. If you are using the bottle cap screw it on. Tidy up!

Materials: Sand, Newspaper, Colored chalk (as many different colors as you like) See-through glass bottle, Funnel, Stick White glue, bottle cap, any sort of board

Seashell Wind Chimes

Description:

1. Glue each shell to the end of a short piece of yarn. Use liquid white glue.
2. Let dry overnight.
3. Punch eight holes equally spaced on the top of a plastic coffee-can lid. Use a sharp pencil or a paper punch.
4. Hold the lid with the rim facing up. Push the eight pieces of yarn through the eight holes of the underside of the lid.
5. Tie the end of each piece of yarn in a large knot. Make the knot bigger than the hole so the yarn will not slip through.
6. Punch two more holes on opposite edges of the lid.
7. Push one end of a large piece of yarn from the top of the lid through one hole. It should come out on the underside of the chime.
8. Tie a large knot.
9. Push the other end of the yarn through the other hole and knot it.
10. Hang the chime on the branch of a tree or in your window.

Materials: 8 seashells (available from the beach, or at craft supply stores); 1 plastic coffee-can lid; knitting yarn scraps; liquid white glue; sharp pencil or paper punch.

Ship Mobile

Description:

1. Bend out hook on one hanger, insert one hanger through the other and twist the tops together.
2. Glue toothpick across top centers of the walnut shell halves.
3. Cut little Sails from construction paper.
4. Glue the Sails to the center of the toothpicks.
5. Use thread for rigging.
6. Attach ships to the hangers using yarn or fishing line.

Materials: Walnut shell halves; Toothpicks; Construction Paper; Yarn or fishing line; Glue; Wire; Hangers.

Sock Beanies

Description:

1. Fill your sock with beans.
2. Tie the end with the yarn or rubber bands to keep the beans from falling out.
3. Glue the googly eyes onto your sock.
4. Draw/paint silly faces or designs on your little friend!

Materials: Old Socks, googly eyes, yarn or rubber bands, beans, glue, markers or paint, smocks if you are using paints

Solar System Mobile

Description:

Find the center of the large cardboard circle by drawing a line from top to bottom and a line from right to left. Where these two lines meet is the center of the circle. This will be the position of the Sun Using a compass, draw the orbits of the 9 planets (draw circles around the center of the piece of cardboard). The first 4 planets orbit relatively close to the Sun, then there is a gap (this is where the asteroids orbit). Then the last 5 planets orbit very far from the Sun. Using an awl, the sharp point of scissors, or a large nail, punch a series of holes in the cardboard. First punch a hole in the center (this is where the Sun will hang). Then punch one hole somewhere on each circle (orbit); a planet will hang from each hole. Cut circles from oak tag to represent the Sun and each of the planets. Since the range in size of the Sun and the planets is far too large to represent accurately, just make the Sun the biggest. Make Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune a bit smaller than the Sun. Make the remainder of the planets much smaller. Saturn has beautiful rings. Write the name of each planet on its back. Tape a length of string to each planet (and the Sun). Lace the other end of each string through the correct hole in the large cardboard circle (Mercury goes in the inner orbit, Venus goes in the second orbit, Earth goes in the third, etc.). Tape the end of the string to the top side of the cardboard. After all the planets (and the Sun) are attached, adjust the length of the strings so that the planets (and Sun) all lie in a plane. To hang your model, tie three pieces of string to the top of the cardboard - then tie these three together. Tie them to a longer string (from which you'll hang your model). You now have a model of our solar system.

Materials: A round piece of cardboard about 1 ft across (the cardboard from a frozen pizza works well) Lots of colors of oak tag (or construction paper) Scissors Tape String Pencil, crayons, or markers A compass (for making circles)

Stick Vase

Description:

Break or snip your sticks to about an inch longer than the jar. Put two rubber bands around the jar, one inch from the top and bottom. Now begin tucking the sticks under both rubber bands, placing them as close as possible to each other. Once you've surrounded the jar with sticks, slide the rubber bands together at the jar's middle, then cover them with a decorative bow. Glue on a few pinecones, then fill the vase with flowers. For campers uninterested in flower arrangements, this vessel also makes a fine pencil holder.

Materials: Sticks (about 1/4 inch in diameter), clippers, an empty plastic peanut butter jar (or other empty jar), thick rubber bands, raffia or ribbon, glue and pinecones (optional).

Tanagram Puzzle

Description:

Start by making a square piece of paper. To start making the square, fold one corner of a piece of paper over to the adjacent side. To finish making the square, cut off the small rectangle, forming a square. Fold the square piece of paper in half, then in half again (making a square that is divided into quarters). Repeat this step (resulting in a square divided into sixteenths). Unfold the paper. Draw lines along the red lines marked at the left. Cut along these lines. You will now have seven pieces: a small square, two small isosceles triangles, a medium-sized isosceles triangle, two large isosceles triangles, and a parallelogram. {An isosceles triangle has two equal angles and two equal sides. A parallelogram is a four-sided figure with each side parallel to the opposite side.} You can arrange these seven pieces into an incredible number of shapes, making animals, people, everyday objects, etc. See how many you can make - invent new ones!

Materials: Paper (cardstock or other thick paper works well) Scissors Ruler and Pencil or a Printer

Tepee

Description:

Bind the twigs together toward the top using yarn, string, or a rubber band. Leave about 3 inches of twig at one side of the string. Do not bind the twigs too tightly. Gently adjust the twigs so that they form a tepee shape. Holding the tepee above a piece of scrap paper, trace the outline of one side of the tepee. This will be your template for making the tepee. Cut out your triangular template. Open up a large paper bag along its seams. Lay your triangle template on the opened bag and trace its outline. Trace the triangle 3 more times with the long edges touching. Cut out this large polygon along the outside edge. Cut a door on one edge. Decorate the tepee using crayons or markers. Fold the paper along each of the pencil lines. Then form the paper into a tepee shape and tape the edges together. Snip off the top of the tepee (the twigs will go through this hole). Put the twigs into the tepee. Tape the twigs into place - each twig is taped along a fold line. You now have a wonderful tepee!

Materials: 4 straight twigs (about a foot long each) Yarn, twine, or a rubber band A large, brown paper grocery bag Scissors A pencil Crayons, tempera paint, or markers Tape

Tissue Paper Corsage/Boutonniere

Description:

Fold three separate, different colored (preferably one green) pieces of tissue paper into a square approximately the size of a drink coaster so that there are around 6 or 8 layers.

Cut out a flower type shape (it doesn't have to be perfect and the more distinctive the petals, the better) of each color.

The green shape can be less flower shaped but should not be round either.

Layer the green shapes directly on top of each other but in a way that doesn't line up the edges, then alternate the other two colors on top so the petals are intermingled.

Use a sharp object (pen tip, metal skewer, exactor knife, etc) to poke a small hole in the center of the corsage/boutonniere.

String a bead onto the center of a piece of gimp, pipe-cleaner, or hemp and then thread both ends through the hole and pull gently until the bead is in the center of the flower.

Gently tie a knot on the back - the extra 'string' can be used to tie around the wrist or attach a safety pin so it can be pinned onto the lapel.

Scrunch up the petals to give a corsage effect. Perfect before a fancy/themed meal or special camp activity (Ex. a dance).

Materials: Three colors of tissue paper, scissors, gimp/hemp/pipe cleaners, beads, safety pins.

Tissue Paper Flowers Craft

Description:

Cut a few pieces (about 4-6) of tissue paper (crepe paper) about 8 x 10 inches (the exact size doesn't matter). Put the paper in a pile and fold it like an accordion. Tie the center of the folded paper with a green pipe cleaner (or twist tie). Gently pull each piece of paper towards the top center of the flower, separating each sheet of paper from the others (forming the petals of the flower).

Materials: Tissue paper (crepe paper) Green pipe cleaners (or twist ties)

Wallpaper Fan

Description:

Cut a piece of wallpaper to the size you like. Fold "accordion" style...like you did in school. Press down on pleats with your fingers to form a sharp crease. Bunch one end together and secure (hot glue or whatever works for YOU). Spread "pleats" open till they look how you want them to. Decorate the gathered end with ribbon, small fabric roses, and beads, whatever you like. Attach a piece of ribbon to back to hang on wall. This may take a couple of tries..... As the size and pleating technique you use will differ the look... however it is VERY simple and VERY quick.

Materials: Wallpaper Hot glue, staples Decoration: Ribbon, beads, flowers, etc.

Walnut Pink Flamingo

Description:

You'll need both halves of the walnut shell to make a flamingo. Trace the shape of one half of the shell onto cardstock. Continue into the shape of a flamingo and cut it out, trimming a bit extra from the body edges so the card stock doesn't protrude from the nut edges. Rasp off a little of the shell's inside edge where the legs will come out so the shell halves will still fit flat together. Bend a piece of stiff wire into a narrow V and glue to card stock body. Then glue shell halves together with card stock body and legs in between. When the glue has dried, paint entire bird pink, add details in black.

Materials: whole walnut shell, split in half card stock stiff wire scissors glue pink and black paint

Walnut Shell Skunk Magnet

Description:

1. Paint Walnut shell halves black. 2. Glue moveable (googly eyes) on narrow end of the shell. 3. For the tail, glue one white and two black cut chenille pipe cleaners. 4. Across the bottom of the shell glue two black chenille pipe cleaners to form the feet on each side. 5. Glue magnet to the leg strips.

Materials: Walnut shells; Black & White Paint; Glue; Googly Eyes; Black & White Chenille Pipe Cleaners; Magnet.

Warm and Fuzzies

Description:

These are not only fun to make, but also bring the campers together!!!

End Result: You should get a koosh-ball shaped yarn medallion hanging from a yarn necklace. It would be good to practice this and have some models out for the campers so they know what this is supposed to look like.

Directions:

1) Cut off one piece of yarn long enough to get over your head after you tie it, but DO NOT tie it yet

2) Have the campers choose two or more colors of yarn.

3) Take the end pieces of the colors of yarn and wrap them round your hand until you get a nice, thick ball-shaped item, then stop. DO NOT cut anything yet.

4) At this time, another camper who is not working on their W&F or a counselor should help a camper who is working on their W&F. Take a piece of yarn and pass it under the yarn, touching the camper's hand. Take this yarn and tie it to itself, around the yarn in the camper's hand, VERY tightly.

5) Have the camper cut the yarn wrapped around their hand with scissors on the opposite side of where the yarn was just tied around the ball. At this point the yarn item is detached from the camper's hand that they wrapped it around.

6) Pass the first piece of yarn that you cut through the yarn tied around the ball. Then tie that piece to itself.

7) Trim the W&F so it looks very neat and condensed, but not too small.

How It Works; Place the W&F around your neck as a necklace. If another camper hugs you or you hug them, you MUST give up your WARM & FUZZY. Soon your W&F will be passed all around camp, and the camp will become a big, hugging community!!

Materials: Many different colors of yarn Scissors

Wooden Figure Key Hanger

Description:

This is a great project to celebrate a special occasion such as Mother's or Father's Day. In this example, the children have portrayed their parents as an anniversary gift. The main body of the figure consists of 3 1/2" tongue in groove pine paneling cut to about 2' lengths (free off cuts from a local woodworker). The children are asked to make an outline of head and waist. Encourage them to maintain the elongated character of the medium. An adult will have to cut these out using a coping saw. OR you can eliminate any cutting by simply gluing on a round piece to act as a face ignoring the right angle shape of the background. The kids can cover this with "hair" made of yarn fringe or curly kate scrubber or buttons strung on wire and attached by drilling holes through the wood). When they have their general body shape, they can now begin to define body features and clothing using small bits of wood, old game pieces, bottle caps, Popsicle sticks, beads etc. (A great source for such things is the dollar store where you will also find feathers, beads, plastic bugs and frogs etc. Kids love this stuff!) These are glued with white glue and where necessary clothes pegs or bulldog clamps can be used to secure the pieces as the glue dries. Another valuable tool for sticking odd shaped things or metal is a hot glue gun. At the next session the class can begin painting. The best results are achieved if the child first paints the entire figure in one color. When that dries, it acts as a background for any further painting or decoupage. When decoration is complete, several cup hooks are screwed in the thickest areas for the keys to hang on. A screw eye can be attached at the top through the thickness of the wood for easy hanging. Blue tack at the bottom underside helps it to hang vertically.

Materials: Scraps of wood paneling, wood bits, bottle caps, corks, beads, wire, plastic bugs, feathers Hot glue gun, white glue Coping saw, jig saw (optional) Drill or dremel tool Various colors latex paint and brushes

Wooden Scrapbook

Description:

1. Cut boards to size mentioned above. Drill 2 holes at one end of each board. Sand boards to smooth rough edges. Place paper under a board, lining up to fit on board, mark with pencil where the holes are located. Paper punch 2 holes in each paper, following first sheet as a guide. Cut 2 small strings of twine and lace through the holes and make a loop with it so you can turn the pages. (see photo) Use markers to decorate the scrapbook as you wish. Have your camp friends autograph your book. Get your pictures developed once you get home. Add the pictures to your scrapbook. Be sure to write down your memories in the scrapbook.

Materials: 2 boards (1/4" thick) cut to 8 1/2" x 5 1/2" Saw to cut boards Sandpaper Drill and drill bit hole punch Pencil Paper Twine Scissors Markers or paint and paintbrush Camera and film

Wooden Spoon Snake

Description:

Paint the spoon like a snake and then glue the googly eyes to the rounded part of the spoon and a tongue shaped piece of felt to the opposite side of the "head" of the spoon.

Then curl a 2 inch piece of pipe cleaner around the stick end of the spoon and slide it down, glue on to make tail. Let dry and enjoy!

Materials: Wooden spoon, red felt, googly eyes, pipe cleaner, and various paints.

Yarn Octopus

Description:

1. Cut 24 (12 inch or 30 cm) long pieces of yarn (yarn color number 1). Lie the yarn on a flat surface so that it looks like the spokes of a wheel, and so that the yarn intersects with each other in the center of the wheel. Put a small ball of cotton, a little bigger than the size of a Ping-Pong ball in the center of the wheel. Gather up the pieces of yarn around the cotton and tie them with a piece of an other color of yarn (yarn color number 2).
- 2). Separate the yarn into groups of three, and braid them. Tie each braid at the end with a piece of yarn color number 2. You should then end up with 8 braids. Glue two wiggle eyes onto the yarn surrounding the ball of cotton. Use either yarn or felt to make a mouth for your octopus and glue it on.

Materials: Two different colors of yarn Small ball of cotton Glue Wiggle eyes Felt, optional Ruler Scissors Glue

Yarn Vase

Description:

1. Cover about 1" of the bottom of the bottle with glue.
2. Wind the yarn around the bottle, tight but not too tight. You can use different colors of yarn to make stripes on your vase.
3. When the glued area is completely covered, push the rows of yarn closer together. Tuck in the beginning of the yarn with a toothpick, add a little more glue there and press down for a minute.
4. Keep repeating steps 1, 2, and 3 until the whole bottle is covered with yarn. Don't mind if the glue looks bad, it will dry clear later.
5. Put some pretty flowers from the garden in your vase.

Materials: A glass bottle; Yarn scraps; craft glue; a toothpick