

GHOST HANGING DECORATION



What you'll need:

- 9" paper plate
- Black construction paper
- White construction paper
- Black and pink markers
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- white yarn
- Tape

- 1. Cut two large ovals from black paper and two small ovals from white paper.
- 2. Use a glue stick to attach the white ovals to the black ovals. Use a black marker to add pupils to the white ovals.
- 3. Cut two arms from white paper and the mouth from black paper.
- 4. Glue the facial features to the front of the paper plate. Glue the arms to the back of the paper plate.
- 5. Add cheeks with pink marker and eyebrows with the black marker.
- 6. Fold yarn in half and tape or staple the open ends to the back of the plate for the hanger.



Halloween craft ideas

CONE WITCH



What you'll need:

- Black and green construction paper
- Tape
- White craft glue or stapler, glue stick
- Scissors
- White and purple construction paper
- Red and black markers, colored pencils, or crayons
- 2 googly eyes

- 1. Roll black paper into a cone shape and secure with tape or stapler. Use scissors to trim off excess so that the cone will stand on its own. Save black paper scraps for later steps.
- 2. Cut the hat pattern from black paper. Place the hat "donut" on top of the cone and gently slide down. Where the hat brim ends, is where you will glue the green strip for the witch's face.
- 3. Cut a two-inch wide strip from green paper and apply glue stick. You will need enough green paper to wrap around the cone. The paper will cross in the back. Glue the strip in place just under the hat brim.
- 4. Glue the hat brim in place using white craft glue.
- 5. Use the same method as in step 3 to create the belt, but make the width about 3/4 of an inch.
- 6. Cut two leg patterns from the white paper and two shoe patterns from the black paper. Draw red stripes onto the white legs then glue the black shoes to the ends of the legs. Draw buckles onto shoes.
- 7. Fold the legs in half and apply glue stick to the top halves. Insert legs into the bottom of the cone and press against the sides to adhere.

- 8. Cut purple paper into two-inch long strips, about $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide. Glue around the head for the hair and cut a few of the strips into shorter pieces for the bangs.
- 9. Glue on wiggle eyes and pom-pom for the nose, and then add a mouth with black marker.
- 10. For the final touches, use a gold paint pen to add a buckle to the hat and cut a buckle from black paper (or draw on with a marker) and glue to the belt.

Tips:

• If you like, glue the legs at the front of the cone and bend them to create knees, and then hang off the side of the table.



TIN CAN BLACK CAT



What you'll need:

- Construction paper black, yellow, pink, gray
- White craft glue, sticky tape
- Scissors
- Hot glue gun
- Empty, clean tin can with top removed

How to make it:

- 1. Cut black construction paper into a long strip and staple into a "tin can shape", put over
- 2. Cut a circle of black and attach to the bottom with hot glue.
- 3. From yellow paper, cut out two almond shapes for eyes.
- 4. From black, cut two slits and two eyelids for eyes.
- 5. From pink, cut out a nose.
- 6. From gray, cut six 4" long thin rectangular strips for whiskers.
- 7. From black, cut out two triangles for ears.
- 8. Using white craft glue, attach eyes, slits, lids, and nose to the front of the can.
- 9. Glue the first 2/3 of the whiskers to the can next to the nose, three on each side. Leave the last third of each whisker unglued so that they stick out from the side of the can.
- 10. Glue triangle ears to the inside front of the can.
- 11. Take your black and using the hot glue gun, roll it into a tail and secure with glue.

Tips:

- Adapt this project for any color cat by simply changing the felt color.
- Fill cat can with plastic forks and napkins for a festive table decoration.



BROOMSTICK BOOKMARK

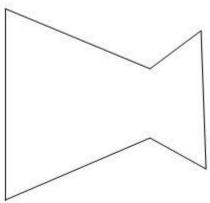


What you'll need:

- A wide popsicle stick (craft stick)
- Brown craft foam
- Cord or string
- Markers to write name or decorate popsicle stick
- Glue

How to make it:

1. Cut out from the craft foam a shape like the one below.



- 2. Cut nips in the wider end so they form the bristles of your broomstick.
- 3. Glue the foam to the craft stick so the bristles stick out over the end.
- 4. Tie a small piece of string around the narrowest part of the foam and trim the ends. Little kids might need some help with this.
- 5. Use foam letters or other methods to add a name to the broom handle.



CRAZY CREATURE COLLAGE



Collage is a great activity which allows children to use their imagination and create a wonderful effect. And it is perfect for mixed age groups too.

What you'll need:

- Card or construction paper for background
- Card or construction paper for monster bodies (or paper plates, Styrofoam trays, etc.)
- Ribbons, buttons, googly eyes, pipe cleaners, etc.

- 1. Give your child the supplies and get creative!
- 2. Younger children may want a helping hand to get started. You could cut out the shape for the body and stick it to the background, asking the child to decorate it.
- 3. You might also prompt the child, for instance, how many eyes does your monster have? What colour is your monster's body? Does your monster have ears? Where does your monster live? Shall we make up a story about your monster?



PAPER BAG OWL CRAFT



What you'll need:

- A paper lunch bag
- A printer
- Some crayons,
- Scissors
- Glue

- 1. Print out the template below or simply trace on a pre-prepared stencil for wings, claws
- 2. Colour (as required) and cut out the pieces.
- 3. On one side, it's all smooth. This will be the BACK of your puppet. On the other side there's a flippy tab (which is typically the bottom of the bag when you're carrying your lunch around.)
- 4. This flippy tab will be the HEAD. Lift the flippy tab up a bit. Underneath the tab will be the mouth. When the child puts her hand in the bag, she'll be able to make the puppet talk.
- 5. Look at the rest of the front of the bag. (The 3/4 or so of the bag below the part with the flippy tab), this will be the BODY.
- 6. Look at the sides of the bag. There should be a FLAP of paper. We'll be slipping the wings into this flap.
- 7. Assemble your puppet: Glue the large triangle to the top of the HEAD.
- 8. Glue the eyes onto the HEAD just under the feathers.
- 9. Glue the beak under the eyes. It will likely hang down over a little bit of the BODY. Make sure you just put glue on top of the beak (where it touches the HEAD) so you don't end up gluing the mouth shut.

- 10. Glue the second beak into the mouth. When the mouth is closed you shouldn't see this second triangle. When the puppet's mouth is open you will.
- 11. Glue the wings into the FLAP.
- 12. Glue the feet onto the bottom of the BODY. Glue the tail onto the BACK.

