

THE ACROBAT

Crafts

Make an Acrobat hat

1. Fold a large rectangular piece of paper in half and cut a rounded corner off one end.
2. Decorate it with paint, crayons, or stickers.
3. Roll up your piece of paper with the straight edge making the point, and staple or tape it together to fit your head.
4. Staple or tape a length of elastic to either side of your hat to go under your chin.



Make a clown mask

1. Fold a paper plate in half and ask an adult to help you cut holes for your eyes, nose and mouth.
2. Decorate your mask with paint, crayons or stickers, or anything else you like. Try to make it really colorful!
3. When you've finished decorating, staple or tape a length of elastic to either side of your plate (level with your ears) so that you can wear your mask.



Make a musical instrument

1. Find an empty plastic or card container with a lid and half fill it with dry beans, rice, or lentils, or anything else that will make a noise.
2. Put the lid on, and secure it with strong sticky tape.
3. Decorate the container with colorful stickers or colored paper.
4. Shake to make some music. Can you keep a beat?

Create a collage

EITHER

1. Use a packet of brightly colored feathers, or collect some feathers (make sure you wash and dry them) to make a collage of birds.

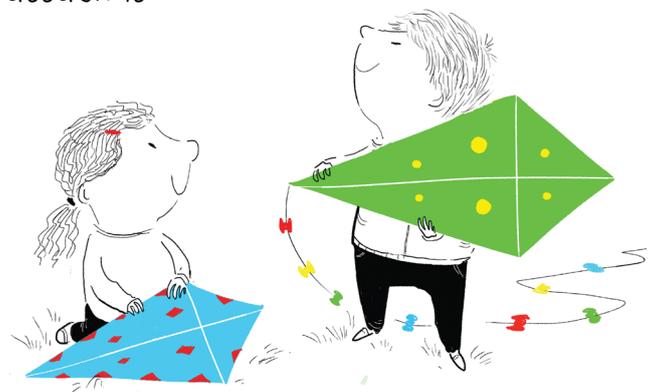
OR

2. Use a hole punch and lots of colored paper to make brightly colored dots. Glue pairs of dots one above the other to make the head and body of a bird. Then use a thin black pen or pencil to draw on beaks and wings.



Make a kite

1. Cut a piece of lightweight paper into a diamond shape.
2. Place two craft straws, or bamboo skewers (with the sharp ends cut off) in a cross shape on the diamond, with the ends touching each corner.
3. Wind some wool or string around a third skewer or short stick (this is what you will hold onto to fly your kite). Tie the other end around the center of the crossed sticks or straws.
4. Carefully tape the ends of the skewers or straws to the paper diamond.
5. Make a tail out of paper or ribbon and attach it to one of the corners.
6. Find a windy place to fly your kite.



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