



Decorate a flower pot

Let your little ones imagination run wild with this one! The finished pots also make great gifts for friends and family!

What you'll need:

To make a flower pot friend you will need a flower pot (you choose the size!), acrylic paints and paintbrushes.

Step 1: Begin by painting the pot body, choose any colour you like.

Step 2: Next you will need to paint the flower pot rim. Try and choose a colour that contrasts well with your other paints.

Step 3: Once the rim is dry it's time to decorate. We added white polka dots to ours however you can do whatever pattern you like!

Step 4: Finally give your flower pot some eyes and a big smile. Once it's dried, you'll be ready to fill it with beautiful flowers!



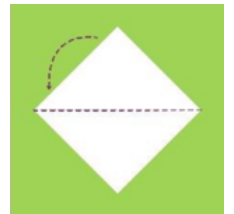
Make an origami bird

This activity requires a lot of patience! See how far your little one can get just by following the guide.

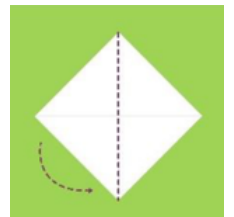
What you'll need:

To make this origami bird all you will need is some squared paper and a pen

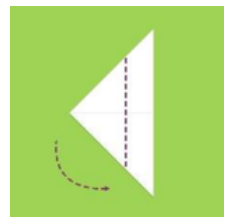
Step 1: Start by placing the paper in a diamond shape. Fold in half horizontally to make a crease and then fold back.



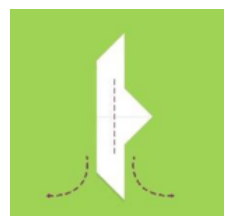
Step 2: Now fold the paper in half vertically.



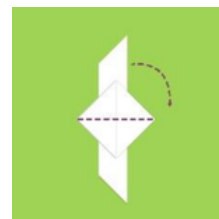
Step 3: You will now be left with a triangle, vertically fold over two thirds of the triangle similar to the guide shown.



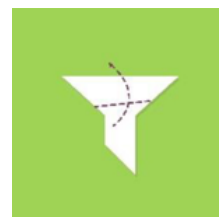
Step 4: Repeat the previous step with the new smaller triangle but with only one side of paper.



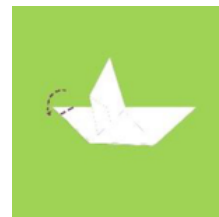
Step 5: Your origami bird should look like the image to the right. Next, fold your paper in half like so.



Step 6: You're almost there! Take the trapeze shapes including a 3rd of the triangle again and fold out. These will be your bird's wings.



Step 7: Time for the beak- fold a small section of one of the shortest sides of the trapeze body in on itself. The bird is almost complete!



Step 8: Use the pen to give the bird an eye and you've finished! Well done!





Make a tie dye t-shirt

A great activity full of colour, make sure you supervise your little one at all times! Why not get them to help stir?

What you'll need:

For you and your little one to make these t-shirts together you will need a white cotton t-shirt, natural fabric dyes, water, elastic bands, salt, rubber gloves, a large stick for mixing, an apron and 2 large plastic buckets.

Step 1: Begin by scrunching up the t-shirt. Bunch areas together and bind them in place with the elastic bands, you can do as many of these as you like!

Step 2: Time to get colourful! In one of the buckets mix the fabric dye following the instructions on the back of the pack. You can add 1 cup of salt if you like, this will intensify the colour! Make sure you're wearing your gloves and apron for the next steps, you don't want to stain your clothes!

Step 3: Carefully fill the other bucket with hot water and submerge the t-shirt. Remove the t-shirt making sure it's completely saturated then wring out the excess water.

Step 4: Take the wet shirt and carefully place it in the bucket of dye. Keep it in there for 10 – 20 minutes whilst stirring regularly with the stick. The longer it's in the dye, the darker the colour will be!

Step 5: Carefully and whilst still wearing your gloves, remove the t-shirt from the bucket and rinse under warm water. Finally rinse with cool water until the water from the shirt runs clear.

Step 6: Remove the elastic bands and hang the t-shirt up to dry, once dried show off your new top!



Make sock puppets

This is a great activity for your little one to use their imagination to its full! Why not get them to make two puppets and you can play together!

What you'll need:

To make these sock puppets you will need 1 pair of brightly coloured socks, googly eyes, some card or foam shapes, safety scissors and glue.

Step 1: Begin by turning your sock upside down. Use the glue to stick down 2 googly eyes in the middle of the foot of the sock.

Step 2: Time for the colourful shapes! Use the safety scissors to cut the shapes as desired.

Step 3: Use the glue to stick down the shapes to add detail to the puppet.

Step 4: When you're finished decorating, pop it on to your hand and use your fingers and thumb in a claw like motion to make your puppet talk!