

Rock Paperweights

YOU WILL NEED:

rounded, smooth
rocks
acrylic paints
small brush
clear spray lacquer



1. Wash and dry the rocks.
2. Paint designs or a name on top of the rocks.
3. Allow to dry.
4. Spray with lacquer.

Apple Head

YOU WILL NEED:

1 big apple
paring knife
1/2 cups lemon
juice
newspaper
2 whole cloves
watercolors
small brush
hot glue gun
yarn

1. Peel the apple.
2. With the knife, carve the nose, make eye sockets, and cut a line for the mouth. (Ask an adult for help, if necessary.) Carve around the mouth to make cheeks, and add some narrow cuts around the eyes and over them to indicate the forehead. For fun, carve the face of a favorite character.
3. To keep the apple from turning brown, soak the head in the lemon juice for about 30 minutes.



... to make for yourself or give as gifts.



4. Remove the head from the juice and place it on newspaper in a warm, dry location for 2 to 3 weeks. (You may notice that it shrinks as it dries.)
5. In 2 to 3 weeks, when the head is almost dry, push the cloves into the eye sockets.
6. Use the watercolors to paint cheeks and a mouth.
7. When the apple is completely dry, glue pieces of yarn to the top of the head for hair. (Ask an adult for help, if necessary.)



Bathtime Puppet

YOU WILL NEED:

felt-tip marker

2 washcloths

scissors

needle

thread

3 buttons, for eyes
and nose

rickrack trim to form
mouth

yarn

1. With a marker, trace your hand on each of the washcloths (trace a little larger than your hand).
2. Cut out the mitten shapes.
3. Put the hands together and sew around the edges, leaving the wrist area open. Turn the mitt inside out.
4. On one side of the hand, sew on buttons for the eyes and the nose.
5. Sew on a piece of rickrack trim for the mouth.
6. Sew on pieces of yarn for the hair.



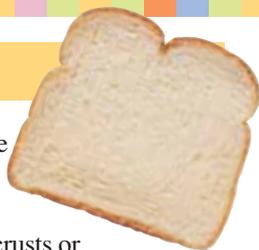
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Bread Beads

YOU WILL NEED:

3 slices of white bread
 small bowl
 3 tablespoons white glue
 3 drops lemon juice
 food coloring
 spoon
 plastic wrap
 round toothpicks
 knife
 plate or tray
 string or ribbon



1. Remove the crusts from the bread. Tear the bread into small pieces and put them into a small bowl. Eat the crusts or feed them to the birds.
2. Add the glue and lemon juice. Add a few drops of food coloring, if you like.
3. Stir with a spoon until the mixture begins to pull away from the sides of the bowl. Knead it with your hands until it no longer sticks to your fingers. It may take 30 minutes of working and kneading to get the right consistency.
4. Wrap the dough in plastic wrap to keep it from drying out.
5. Pinch off a small piece of dough and roll it between the palms of your hands to form a bead. (You can make any shape you want.)
6. Gently push a toothpick through the bead to make a hole for the string.
7. Continue pinching off dough and making beads. To make several beads all the same size and shape, break off a large piece of dough and roll it into a long rope. With a knife, cut the rope into beads.
8. Set the beads on a plate or tray to dry for 5 days.
9. String the beads to make bracelets, necklaces, or decorations.

Fruity Bird Feeder

YOU WILL NEED:

1 big orange or grapefruit
 knife or skewer
 string
 birdseed

1. Cut the orange or grapefruit in half. (Ask an adult for help, if necessary.)
2. Scoop out the fruit and save it for a snack later.
3. With the knife or skewer, make two small holes on opposite sides of each hollowed-out fruit half, about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below the edge.

