

Discovery Challenge

Discover Your Creativity



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Decorating Cupcakes

Baking is a favorite many kids. Decorating cupcakes can be a great fun and it brings out their creative side. Here are a few tips to creating professional looking cupcakes while helping minimize the mess.

How to do it:

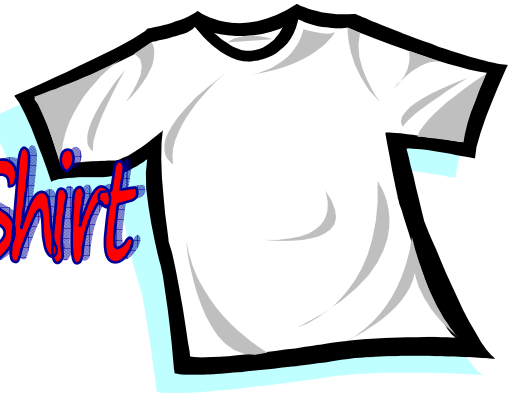
- Prepare the kids' workspace.
- A cheap plastic table cloth can be your best friend.
- Use a baking sheet with an edge. This will help catch all the sprinkles and save clean up time.
- Set out the sprinkles, sugar, small candies or anything else you have in hand for toppings
- If using icing put the icing in a piping bag with a large flower tip and swirl white icing on top of each cupcake. It looks fancy and is actually faster than spreading the icing over each one with a knife. If possible give them different coloured icings so that they will be colourful.
- Give each child a station and let them get to work.

Use anything which is colourful, hundreds and thousands, smarties, jelly beans, heart shaped sweets etc.



Tie & Dye

Your Own Beaver T-Shirt



What you will need:

- 1 White Cotton T-Shirt per Beaver Scout
- 2 Die pods for the whole Colony
- 1 box of Sea Salt
- 10 Rubber Bands per Beaver Scout
 - Aprons
 - Large Wooden spoon



How to do it:

Each Beaver ties parts of his T-Shirt with rubber band.

T-Shirts are then dipped into a pot of boiling water together.

Using gloves, empty the colouring pods and the pack of sea salt into the water.

Using the wooden spoon, stir water well so that colouring is distributed evenly onto all T-Shirts and sea salt is dissolved to make colouring steadfast to T-Shirts.

Leave T-Shirts to settle in cold water for 24 hours.

After 24 hours, drain T-Shirts, remove rubber bands and leave to dry.



Warning— It is advised that in the first few washes one puts a few spoon-fulls of salt to ensure that no colour comes off the dyed T-Shirt.

Also whilst draining always use a pair of gloves to avoid the dye staining your hands.

Robot Collage



What you will need:

- Any sort of household junk
Example: buttons of various sizes, clothes' pegs, pasta, cotton wool, plastic bottle tops, etc
- Glue
- 1 black cardboard or A3 white sheets
- Silver or gold spray
- Glitter glue
- Apron



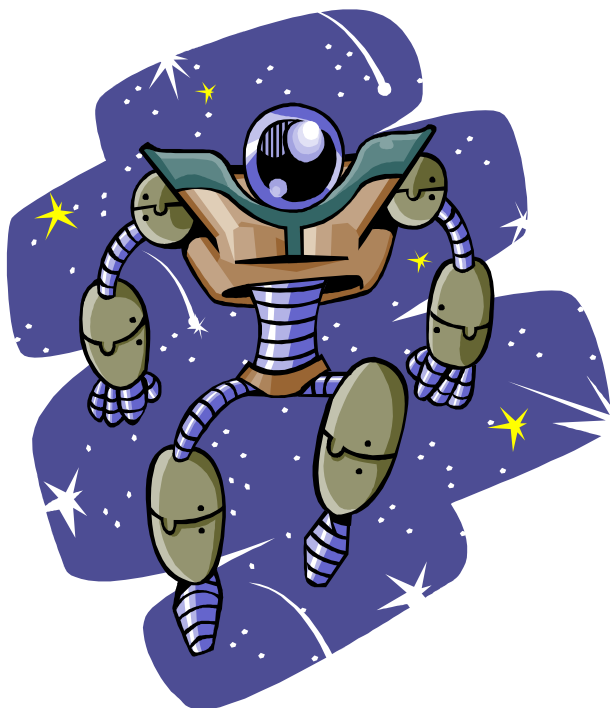
How to do it:

Each Beaver Scout builds up a robot collage with all the various bits and pieces that he/she has and glues them onto the cardboard or white paper.

For example: Buttons can be the eyes

Collage is left to dry overnight

After drying with the help of your Beaver Scout Leader spray the robot with silver spray



Warning:

Beavers tend to be very messy when it comes to glues thus it is advisable that they either wear the apron or come dressed in old clothes.



Wishing Well

What you will need:

- 1 Pack of wooden clothes pegs
- 1 Clean small empty tuna can
- Glue
- 2 Rubber bands
- Apron

How to do it:

With the help of your Beaver Scout Leader take the clothes pegs one by one, and remove the spring, splitting the peg in half.

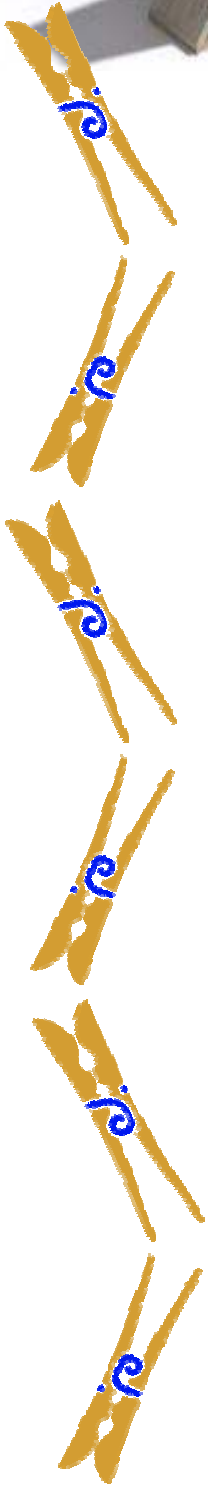
Glue the straight side of the can to the tuna can and continue like this until you cover the entire can

Put rubber bands around it and leave to dry

Take 2 bigger pegs and stick them one on each side of the can onto the other pegs already glued. Using another peg glue it on top of the other 2 pegs you have just glued.

Leave to dry overnight. Decorate when perfectly dry.

Warning: Beavers tend to use a lot of glue when making crafts thus it is advisable that they either wear the apron or come dressed in old clothes.



Pasta Frames

What you will need:

- 1 Pack of Fancy pasta
- 1 Black Cardboard
- Glitter Glue
- Gold or Silver spray
- Glue
- 1 Photograph or drawing

How to do it:

With the help of the Beaver Scout Leader, Beavers cut the Cardboard paper in 2 rectangles.

Beaver Scout Leader will then proceed to take one of the rectangles and cut out a rectangular hole in it. That will be the front of the frame.

Beavers decorate the front of the frame by gluing the pasta and leave to dry.

Beavers take the other rectangle and in the middle glue the photograph and leave to dry.

When they are both dry, the Beavers stick the pasta frame onto the photo side and leave it to dry.



Ice-Cream Clown

What you will need:

- 1 Sheet with the Clown Face
- Sheet with the Clown's Eyes & Tongue [*Templates on the following pages*]
- 1 Round tipped scissors
- Loooooads of Colours



How to do it:

Beavers colour in both the face of the clown on one sheet and the tongue and the eyes in the other.

Beaver Scout Leader helps the Beavers to cut out the eye holes and the mouth and also to cut around the square and the tongue

Insert the tongue into the Clown's mouth and see his eyes move

Warning: If the Beavers are handling any scissors if at all, ensure that they are round-tipped scissors and that the children are supervised while cutting .



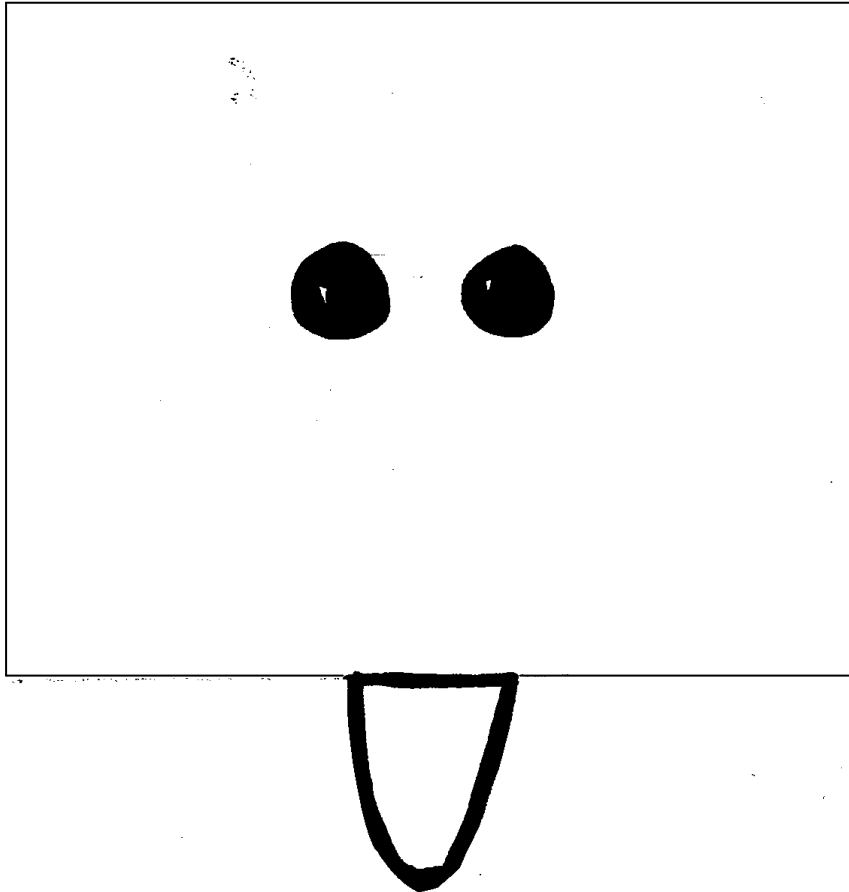
CRAFT - ICE-CREAM CLOWN

TEMPLATE 1 - Cut out the eye holes and the mouth



CRAFT - ICE-CREAM CLOWN

TEMPLATE 2 - Cut around the tongue and square





Let's Create an Alien!

What you will need:

- Pieces of different Coloured play dough
- Aprons
- Loads of Imagination
- Wobbly eyes of different sizes
- Pipe cleaner with different colours

How to do it:

Using his / her imagination, each Beaver builds an alien out of play dough.

You can have an alien show at your own head quarters!
Who's is the scariest??



Warning— Make sure to put paper covering on the surface where the dough is being placed to avoid it from getting stuck.



String Painting Cards

What you will need:

- 1 piece of rectangular cardboard paper
- 3 pieces of 30cm string
- Apron
- Poster colours

How to do it:

Cardboard is folded in two.

Dip the strings into the poster colours and carefully place them inside the card leaving the ends dangling out of the card.

With one hand keep the card flat and with the other gently pull the strings out.

When all strings have been pulled out, open the card and leave to dry.

Once dry front page can be decorated as well.

Some interesting patterns are formed when you pull out the strings and open the cards





Vegetable Printing

What you will need:

- 2 carrots
- 2 potatoes
- 2 Poster Colours
- 2 Plastic Containers
- Apron

How to do it:

With the help of the Beaver Scout Leader, Beavers cut the vegetables in half .

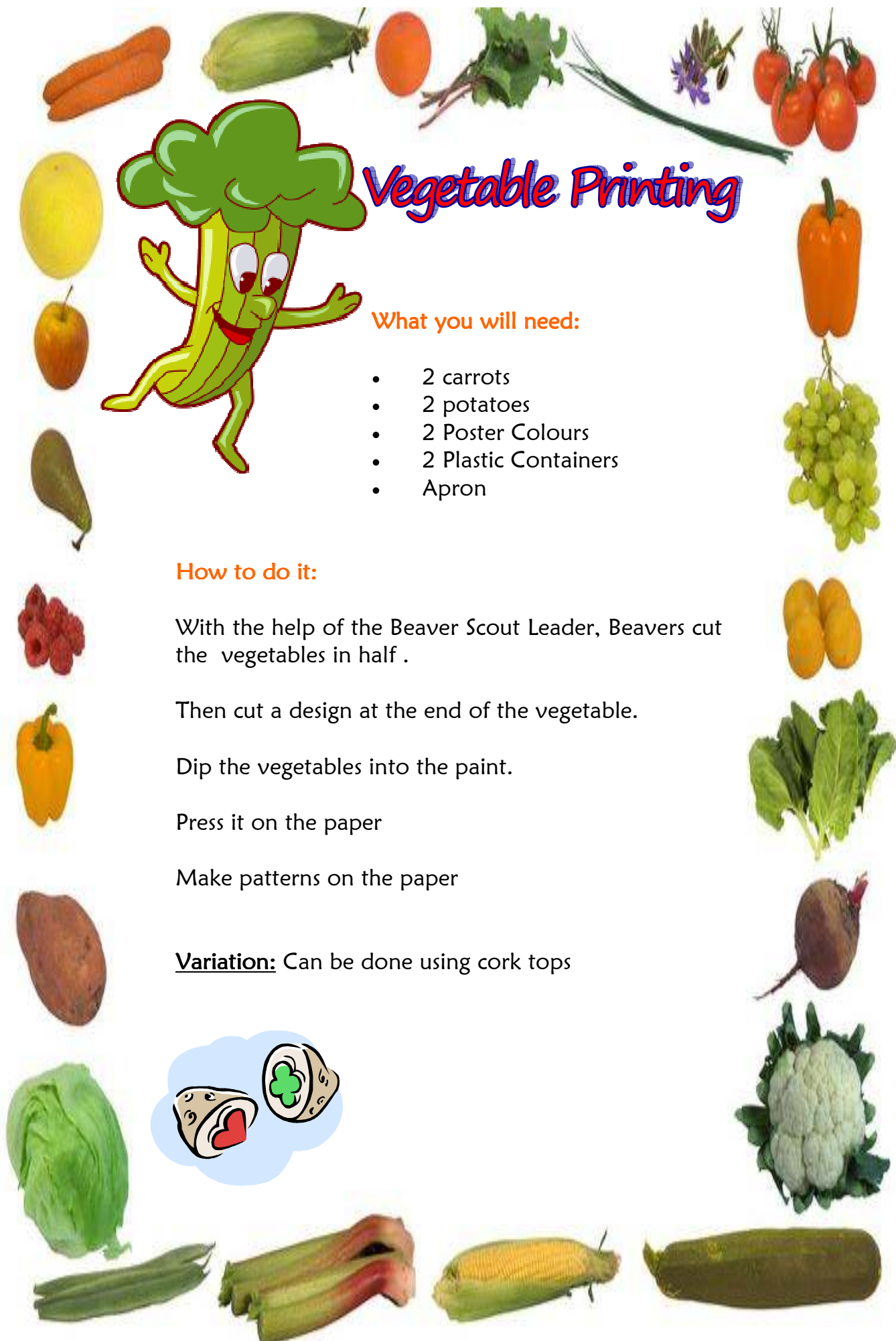
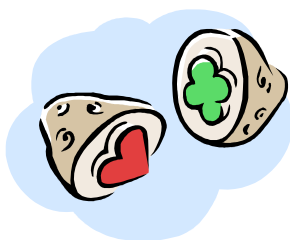
Then cut a design at the end of the vegetable.

Dip the vegetables into the paint.

Press it on the paper

Make patterns on the paper

Variation: Can be done using cork tops



Modern Art?!

What you will need:

- A3 sheets of Paper
- Pencil
- Pencil Colours

How to do it:

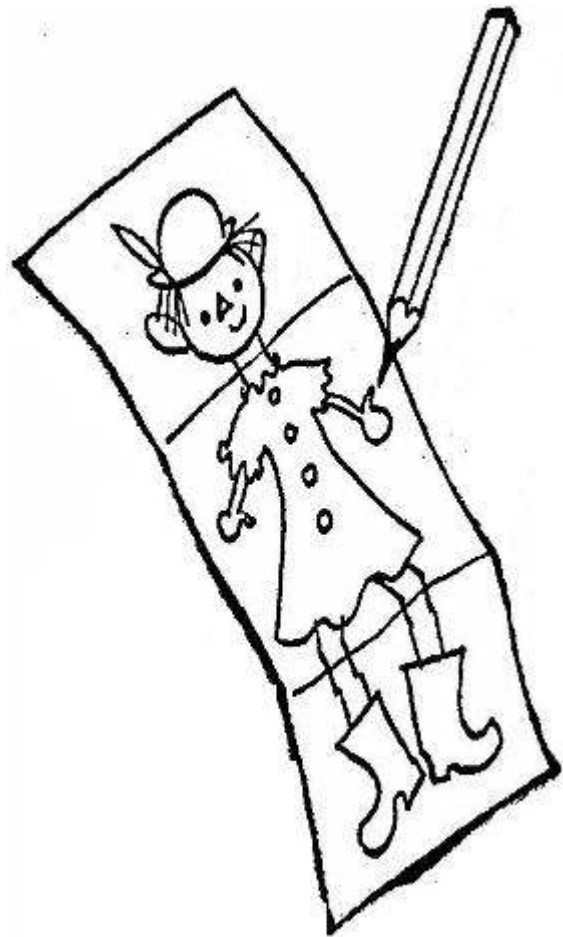
Each Beaver is given an A3 sheet folded in 3 parts. He/she draws the head of a man or woman or living/fantasy animal.

Top of the paper is then folded over, so that only the lines of the neck are showing, and then hands his/her paper to the Beaver next to him/her.

The 2nd Beaver draws the body. Same as before man or woman, living/fantasy animal.

Then folds 2nd part leaving only the top of the legs showing and hands in the paper to a 3rd Beaver who then draws the legs following the same criteria as before.

When this is done ask the Beavers to unfold the whole sheet and see what comes out!



Creativity from recycling

Toilet Paper Roll Snake

What you will need:

- Toilet paper rolls
- Paint or colours
- scissors,
- glue,
- hole punch,
- Coloured paper for tongue
- string, wool or ribbon.
- Optional: wiggly eyes

How to do it:

- Optional: Cut each toilet paper roll in half so you have twice as many, shorter tubes.
- Paint or colour the rolls. You can use 1 colour or multi colours
- Punch a hole at the front and back (two holes) in all except for two of the tubes. Those two will be the head and the tail. Punch just one hole in these two tubes
- Thread a piece of string or wool through the holes of each tube (like you're sewing them together).
- Tie off the string at the head and tail.
- Don't make the string too tight or your snake won't wiggle.
- Decorate your snake further with sticker polka dots, markers or a set of wiggly eyes and a tongue.



Tongue

Chocolate Balls

What do we need:

- Digestive Biscuits
- Condensed Milk
- Cocoa Powder
- Hot Chocolate Powder
- Hundreds and thousands



How to make Chocolate Balls:

- Crush the digestive biscuits
- Add cocoa powder/Hot Chocolate powder
- Pour condensed milk slowly and mix together until you feel that the mixture is neither too watery or stiff.
- Take small pieces from the mixture to make round balls
- Add hundreds and thousands
- Now you can eat your YUMMY chocolate balls



Games



BLIND MAN'S BUFF

A Beaver is blindfolded and will try to touch anyone of the other Beavers who are dancing around him. The blindfolded Beaver has to guess who is the person he has touched. If the answer is right, the Beavers exchange places.

Visits



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Ta' Qali Crafts Village

Pottery Studio or Factory