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1405-1 Year Round Parties

Pencil Topper Party Favors Designed by Candie Cooper

Make awesome pencil toppers for all seasons and all reasons!





Always cover your work surface with a mat or some type of protective covering like wax paper or plastic.

Age Range: 7 to 12

Grade Range: 2 to 6

Skill Level: Moderate

Appropriate for These Special Events:

Halloween

Birthday Parties

Every Day and Rainy Days

Supports Subject Area(s) of:

Language Arts - e.g. step by step instructions

Visual Arts

Time Needed for Project:

2 hours plus drying time

Tip: Glue your pieces to skewers for fun cup cake toppers or add magnets and put in your locker or on your fridge.

Materials:

FloraCraft® Project Bricks

Elmer's® Craft Bond™ Tacky Glue

Elmer's® School Glue Gel

Elmer's® Painters® Markers



Floracraft® Styrofoam™ 1-1/8" eggs

Toothpicks

Paint Pens

Pencils

Scissors

Paint brushes

Mummies:

Activa® Rigid Wrap™ Plaster Cloth

Wiggle eyes

Black acrylic paint

White chenille stems

Dragonflies:

Multi-color chenille stem
Silver ribbon with wire, 3/8" wide
Wiggle eyes
Aqua acrylic paint
Pink felt
20 g. silver wire
Round nose pliers

Snowman:

Wiggle eyes
White acrylic paint
Orange felt
Black paint pen
Tiny buttons
Ribbon for scarf
Top-hat

Make the bodies for all the characters:

Use a plastic knife to remove the tip of the egg.

Snap a toothpick in half and insert into one end of the project brick, leaving half of it sticking out. Put a touch of glue on the toothpick and place the cut end of the egg on the remaining toothpick.

Use the end of a pencil to poke the foam where you want the pencil to go.

Also, each body can be shaped by squishing and molding with your fingers---especially the snowman!

Mummy Instructions:

Paint the entire body black. Use a toothpick to poke a hole side to side for the arms to go.

Cut a four inch piece of chenille stem and put through the body. Bend the ends of the stem to make hands.

Cut the rigid wrap into roughly 1/8" strips with scissors. Dip the strips into water and start wrapping the body. Leave a little opening where the google eyes will go. It's fun to leave some strips hanging on the arms as well.

Finish by gluing the google eyes in place with tacky glue.

Dragonfly Instructions:

Paint the body aqua. Use a tooth pick to poke a hole in the top of the body just behind the head.

Place a dot of glue over the hole and stick one end of the chenille stem in the hole. Wrap the remaining stem around the body and stick the end into the body with glue to secure.

Cut two, three inch pieces of silver wire and make small twirls at the end. Put some glue on the ends of the wire and poke into the top of the head.

Cut a small smile from pink felt. Glue the eyes and mouth on with tacky glue.

Cut two pieces of ribbon three inches long. Tie one in the center of the other with a knot and arrange so they make an "X". Round the ends of the ribbons with scissors and glue on top of the body.

Snowman Instructions:

Paint the entire body white.

Cut a small rectangle from orange felt to create a carrot nose.

Use craft glue to attach the hat, eyes, felt nose, and buttons.

Finish by tying the ribbon scarf around the neck and drawing some dots on for the mouth with the black paint pen.

Finishing:

Use the tacky glue to attach the toppers to the pencils. Stick them in a foam block while they dry.

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