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1405-5 Year Round Parties

Bunny Pal Designed by Candie Cooper and Julie McGuffee

This bunny project hops along to welcome spring.



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Age Range: 7 to 12

Grade Range: 2 to 6

Skill Level: Moderate

Appropriate for These Special Events: Easter - Spring Every Day and Rainy Days

Supports Subject Area(s) of: Language Arts - e.g. step by step instructions Mathematics - measuring Visual Arts

Time Needed for Project: 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours plus drying time

Main Materials:

1 FloraCraft® Styrofoam[™] Brand Foam egg 5-7/8" × 3-7/8" 2 FloraCraft® Styrofoam[™] Brand Foam eggs, 2-1/2" × 1-7/8" Pepperell® Brain Noodles[™] - 3 large white chenille stems Elmer's® Craft Bond[™] Tacky Glue Blumenthal Lansing® Colorful flower buttons Yellow Elmer's® 3D[™] Washable Glitter Paint Pens





Basic Materials:

1 pink pom pom White batting Two wiggle eyes 2 Pink chenille stems 2 Green chenille stems 2 White chenille stems White and pink craft felt Wire cutters Skewer Scissors Straight pins Patterns

Create the bunny parts:

Cut the white chenille stems into 3, 4" pieces and twist together to form the whiskers.

Fold the pink chenille stems in half.

Cut two ears from the white craft felt. This bunny has glitter felt ears--glitter felt is nice because it's a little more rigid than regular craft felt. You can make your own floppy ear shapes or find the pattern at craftsforkids.com.

Cut the two small eggs in half with a plastic knife so you have four pieces.

Cover each of the foam pieces with white batting. Starting with a rectangle with slits, cut on the sides. Patterns for the rectangles can be found on the Hands On website.

Secure one end with tacky glue, wrapping as you go around the egg. Finish by tucking and gluing the slitted ends down. Straight pins come in handy for holding the batting in place while it dries.

Use a skewer or small sharp scissors to snip holes where you want the ears, arms to go in the large body

and in each of the paws and feet.

Fold one large white chenille stem in half and bend at the knees. Put some thick glue into the feet and insert the large white chenille stems.

Cut a second white stem in half with wire cutters for the arms. Glue one stem to each of the paws.

Roll half of a white stem in a coil to create a fluffy tail. Trim extra with wire cutters.

Assemble the bunny:

*Use straight pins to hold the pieces in place while the glue dries.

Glue the arms into the sides of the body with tacky glue.

Glue the folded end of the legs underneath the egg, so the body sits on top of them.*

Glue the tail on the back of the egg with tacky glue.*

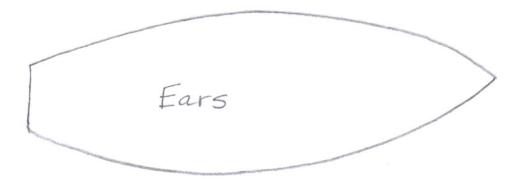
Put glue down in the holes for the ears. Lay the folded pink chenille stems on top of the felt ears and push into the holes.

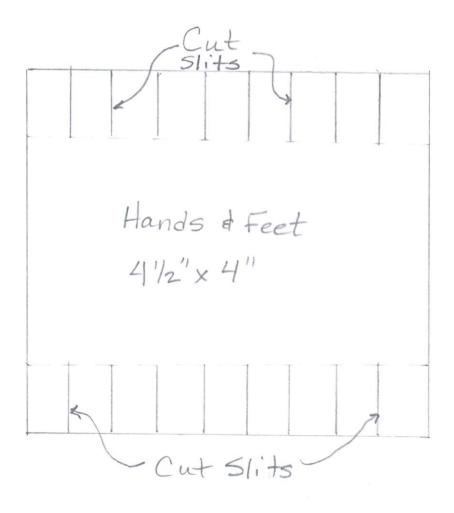
Glue the whiskers on the front followed by the pink pom-pom where the whiskers twist.*

Use the tacky glue to attach the eyes.

Optionally you can make a bouquet for your bunny to hold. String one or two flower buttons onto the green chenille stem. Thread the end of the stem back through the top of the button and twist the ends together. Drop a dot of yellow glitter glue onto the center of the flower and leave to dry. Repeat to make a bundle.

Body 11 x 61/2" Cut Slits





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