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1410-3 Right in your own back yard

Friendly Frog
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Styrofoam eggs are shaped to create a froggy friend.



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:
Every Day and Rainy Days

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

Time Needed for Project:
1 hour

Main Supplies:

FloraCraft® Styrofoam™ Brand Foam

One 4-7/8" egg

One 2-5/16" x 3-1/16" egg

One 1-1/8" x 2-1/2" egg

Two 1" balls

Green acrylic paint

2 Large wiggle eyes

Elmer's® Glue-All®



Basic Supplies:

Serrated plastic knife and old candle

Paintbrushes

Paper plate for palette

Toothpicks

Scissors

Ribbon

Instructions:

1. The body is the large egg. Shape it by pressing one side on the surface of the table. This will be the bottom of the frog. If you want the frog to sit up more, angle the small end of the egg as you press down. Flatten the opposite side of the egg by pressing and rocking it on the table. Round the small end of the egg by rolling it on the table. Make a groove around the small end of the egg for the mouth. Press in with your fingers or use the end of the plastic knife. The eyes are the 1" balls. Flatten one side of each ball. Then, flatten the opposite sides of the balls.
2. The legs of the frog are the small and medium eggs. The small egg is for the front legs; the medium egg is for the back legs. Cut both eggs in half lengthwise. Rub the cut surfaces together to remove any loose foam. The legs will be mirror images of each other with the cut side in toward the body. Press on the cut side to hollow it so that it will fit against the surface of the body. To shape the front legs, push in with your fingers on the middle of the top side to make a "comma" shape. Repeat for the other side. With the medium egg, press into the half egg in the same way and also make a groove angling across the egg. Repeat for the other side.
3. Paint all the foam pieces green.
4. Break the toothpicks in half. Push one into each foam piece where it will attach to the body. Add glue on the toothpick and foam and press into the body. Glue the balls to the head. Glue the wiggle eyes to the balls.

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