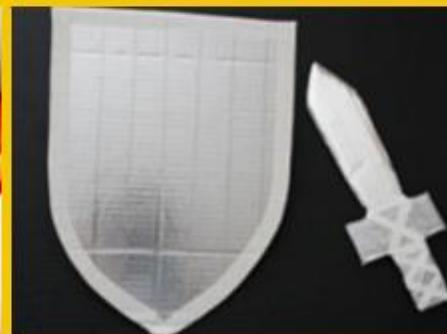


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Hello creative families,

They say boys are made of snips and snails and puppy dog tails, but I think there's something the old saying missed: boys are also made of creativity!

It's not always easy to get boys interested in crafting, but thanks to these kids' craft projects, your little men will be eager to get back to the crafting table after just one turn of the page. Whether your kids are crime-fighting heroes or future all-stars, these crafts for boys are the perfect activities to help your little ones express their creativity.

Between busting the bad guys and designing their own intergalactic space crafts, the 14 craft ideas for boys in this free eBook are the perfect way to spend time with your kids. Amaze your little ones by turning duct tape and cardboard into rocket ships or medieval shields, or help them decorate their room with our favorite sports crafts for kids.

While this collection was designed with boys in mind, girls can have just as much fun with these amazing kids' craft ideas. In fact, with the arts and crafts in this eBook, your whole family can come together in creativity. We're convinced that these are the coolest crafts for kids, so go ahead; try them for yourself!

You can find even more craft projects, games, and activity ideas at www.AllFreeKidsCrafts.com.

Our eBooks, like all our kids' craft projects, are absolutely FREE to members of our kids' crafts community. Please feel free to share with family and friends and ask them to sign up at our website for our [free e-mail newsletter](#).

Happy crafting!

Emily, Editor of AllFreeKidsCrafts

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DIY Tabletop Football

By: [Melissa from Fireflies and Mudpies](#)

Hut, hut, HIKE! Are you watching the big game? Upgrade your game day with [DIY Tabletop Football](#). This incredibly easy tutorial will teach your little ones how to make a paper football, so they can keep themselves entertained while the adults are cooking for the party. You can make DIY Tabletop Football in no time at all, and everyone in the family can enjoy this homemade game. Make sure to make plenty of extra paper footballs in case one gets lost in the excitement of the game!

Materials:

- Legos and building platform
- Brown construction paper
- Scissors
- 1 sheet of football field scrapbook paper
- White crayon

Instructions:

- 1.) Cut a strip of brown paper. Fold one lower corner of a strip of paper towards the opposite edge to form a right triangle.
- 2.) Flip the triangle over its top side. Continue folding the paper until you've reached the top. Tuck the last triangle into the pocket of the football.
- 3.) Use the white crayon to draw laces on both sides of the football.
- 4.) Build a football field goal using Legos. Arrange the scrapbook paper over the Lego platform. Snip out a small square and press the field goal into the platform.
- 5.) Hut, hut, HIKE the football over the goal by flicking it through the air with a finger!



#1 Baseball Fan

By: [Sherri from About Family Crafts](#)

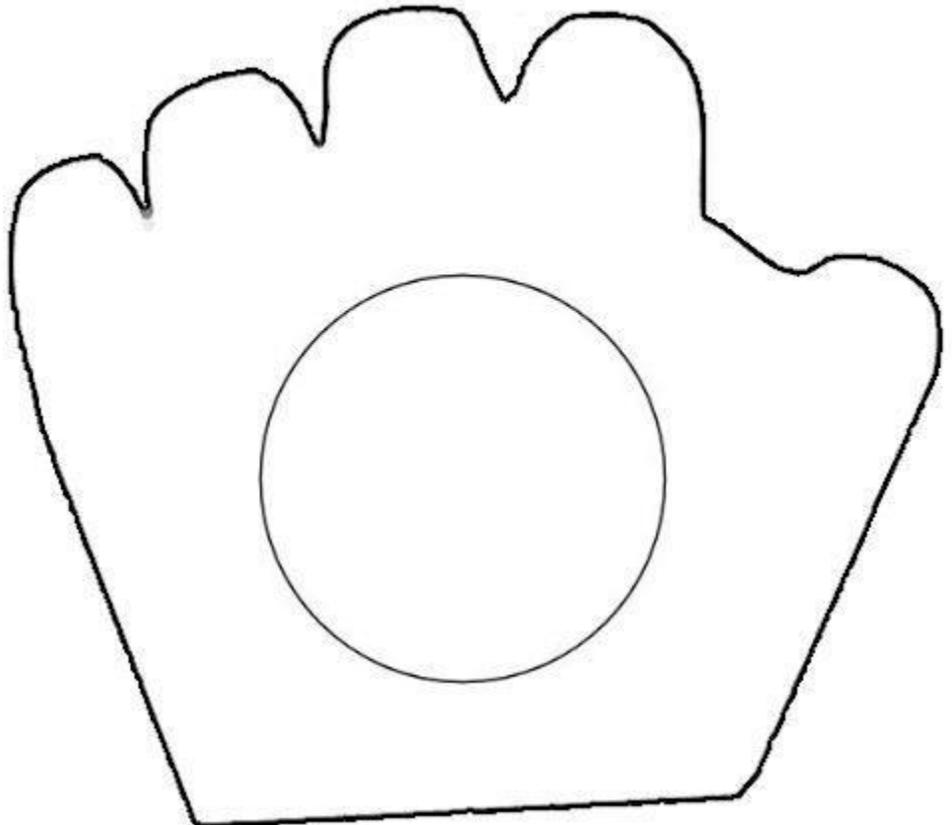
Just like at a basketball game when you show your true fandom with a foam finger, the [#1 Baseball Fan](#) sports craft will show your extreme support for your favorite team. This baseball craft is very simple to make and it is budget friendly, which means that there's nothing holding your little all-stars back from making it.

Materials:

- Paper
- Craft Foam
- Dowel Rod (approximately ¼-inch thick by 12-inches long)
- Craft Glue
- Dimensional Paint
- Duct Tape
- Printer
- Scissors
- Template

Instructions:

1.) Print out the mitt and baseball template shown on the right, or draw your own. Cut out the mitt and trace it onto a piece of brown craft foam, twice. Cut the ball out of the center of the mitt and trace it onto a piece of white craft foam, twice. Now, cut out both craft foam mitts and both craft foam ball.



2.) Lay mitts side by side so the opposite sides are face up (the thumbs should be next to each other). Glue a baseball to the center of each mitt. Use red dimensional paint to draw the baseball laces. Also use dimensional paint to write the #1 on the ball. Let the paint draw (this can take several hours).



3.) Once the paint on the baseballs is dry, use duct tape to attach the dowel to the back side of one of the mitts. Spread a generous amount of glue onto the back of the other mitt. Try to line up the fingers as well as you can and press the glue covered mitt to the back of the other mitt to cover the dowel. Let the glue dry and your fan is ready to use.



Sports Fan Photo Frames

By: [Jane Chandler for Plaid](#)

Looking for DIY boys' room decor? We found the perfect sports craft idea, and it's sure to be a grand slam with your little athlete. [Sports Fan Photo Frames](#) are easy to make, and they look great just about anywhere in the house. Use these Sports Fan Photo Frames to remember the best game of the Little League season, or simply leave the decorative papers in place for a cool sports-themed decoration. Kids could even give these DIY picture frames as a gift for their #1 Dad and use photos of the two of them together. No matter how you use them, these frames will make it feel like game day every day!

Materials:

- Plaid® Wood Surfaces - Frames - Triptych Square Hanging
- FolkArt® Acrylic Colors, 2oz.: Pueblo, Teddy Bear Brown, Wicker White, Licorice, Christmas Red
- Mod Podge® Gloss, 8 oz.
- Scissors Black fine tip permanent marker
- Foam plate for paints
- Spray sealer
- ¾" Flat paintbrush
- #8 Flat paintbrush
- #1 Round paintbrush
- Scrapbook papers

Instructions:

- 1.) Remove all frame inserts.
- 2.) Paint top frame with Pueblo. Paint middle frame with Wicker White. Paint bottom frame with Teddy Bear Brown. Let each frame dry before continuing.
- 3.) Referring to photo for placement, use permanent marker to draw seams on baseball.
- 4.) Referring to photo for placement, use #8 paintbrush and Licorice Black to paint lines of basketball on top frame. Let dry.

- 5.) Referring to photo for placement, use #1 round paintbrush and Christmas Red to paint lines of baseball on middle frame. Let dry.
- 6.) Referring to photo for placement, use #8 paintbrush and Wicker White to paint lines of football on bottom frame. Let dry.
- 7.) Referring to photo for placement, use permanent marker to write words and draw stitches on football.
- 8.) Apply a coat of sealer to frame; set aside.
- 9.) Using paper insert as a pattern, cut one piece from each scrapbook paper pattern.
- 10.) Use Mod Podge to attach scrapbook paper to wood frame inserts, smoothing out any wrinkles. Let dry.
- 11.) Attach photos as desired over scrapbook papers; place protective insert over pictures and reassemble frame.



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Touchdown Dish

By: [Karen from Crafts-For-All-Seasons](#)

You're sure to score some points towards being an excellent crafter when you make this [Touchdown Dish](#).

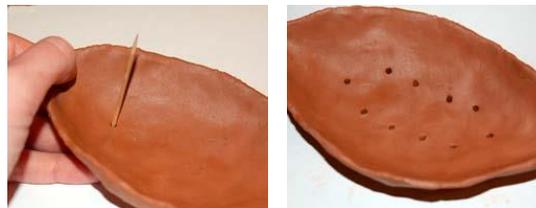
This is one of the greatest clay project ideas because it uses more than just clay and paint. The yarn adds a different texture and a totally cool, unexpected effect. This must-make for sports fans is great for a child's bedroom, but kids could also craft this dish as a gift for their #1 Dad.

Materials:

- Air hardening clay in Terra cotta color
- Toothpick
- Knife
- Sand paper or sanding block
- Clear acrylic sealing coat spray or other glaze/varnish
- White yarn or shoelace

Instructions:

- 1.) Open up the package of air hardening clay. Follow the manufacturer's instructions on how to work with it and store it. Usually it is very soft right out of the package, ready to mold. Begin by pulling out a good handful of the clay from the package. Begin to knead it in your hands to get it soft and pliable. Store unused clay tightly wrapped in plastic wrap and in an air-tight container.
- 2.) Begin to work the clay into a shape of a football dish.
- 3.) Use a knife to trim off the edges, to make them straight across and smooth.
- 4.) 4. Next, use a toothpick to make holes in the bottom of the dish. This is to thread yarn or a shoe lace through to make the football laces. Make sure to make the holes big enough by swirling the toothpick around in the hole a bit.



5.) Allow the football coin holder to dry completely, for about 2 days. It will turn a lighter color when it is all dry.

6.) Sand your piece with a sanding block or sand paper to smooth out any fingerprints or bumps. Sand the edges well too.

7. Rinse off your piece under water and allow it to dry.

8. Give the football dish a coat of clear acrylic glaze and allow it to dry.

9. Take white yarn or a white shoelace and thread it through the two holes near the points of the football dish. Tie the ends in a knot underneath the dish.



10.) 10. Repeat with four other pieces of yarn, but thread them in each hole across from one other. Tie each one in the back.



Cardboard Tube Batman

By: [Amanda Formaro for AllFreeKidsCrafts](#)

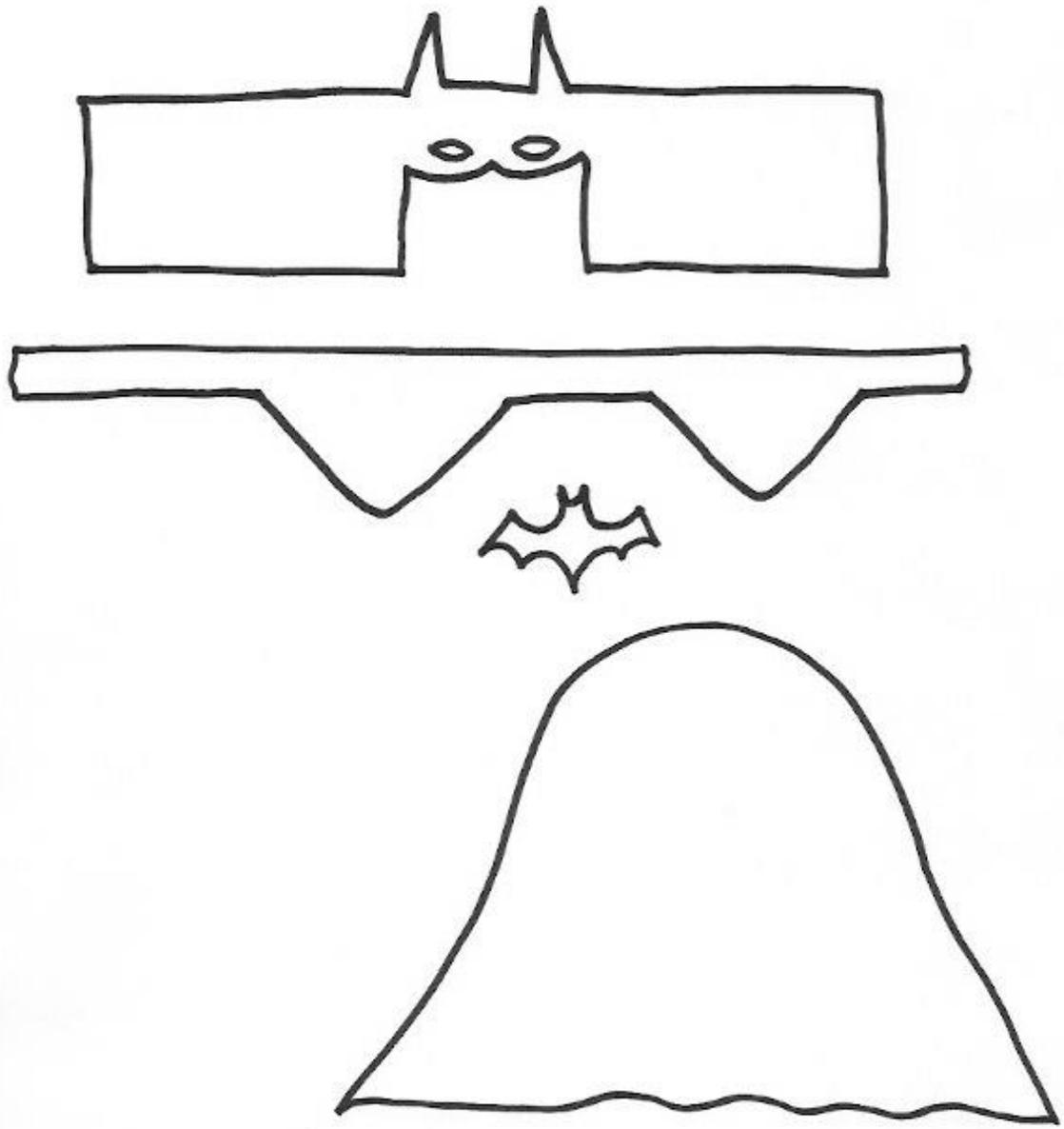
Na-na-na-na-na-na-na-na-bat crafts! The Dark Knight is an ever-popular comic book hero, and now your little ones can create their own hero from recycled crafts! [Cardboard Tube Batman](#) is super easy to make, especially with the free printable template that's included. In a matter of minutes, kids can finish this toilet paper roll craft and be off on their own imaginary adventures through Gotham City.

Materials:

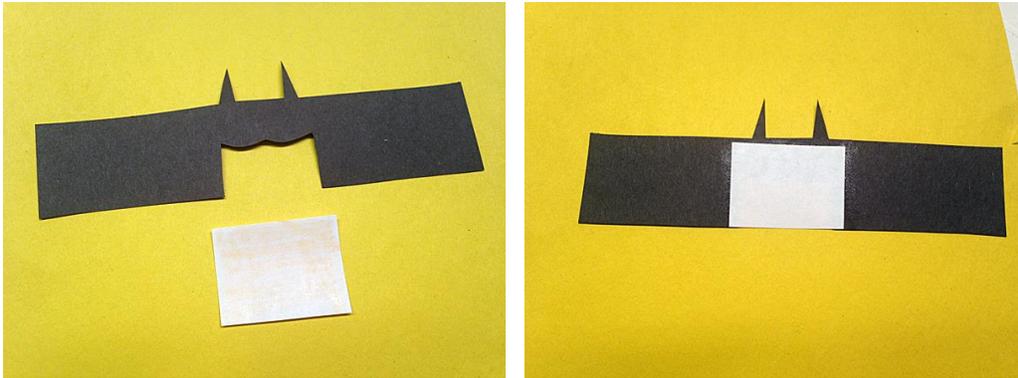
- 4-inch cardboard tube
- Construction paper: light blue, black, white, yellow
- Peach crayon
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Batman template

Instructions:

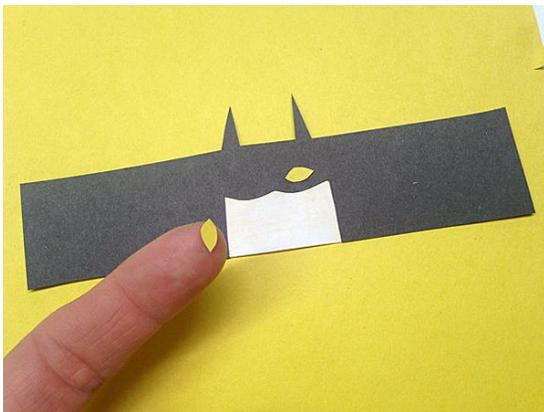
- 1.) Use a glue stick to cover the cardboard tube with light blue paper.
- 2.) Print the pattern. ([Download as a PDF here](#), or scroll to the next page)



3.) Cut the mask/head section from black paper. Cut a piece of white paper to fit under the mask, leaving a little excess around it so you will be able glue it to the back of the mask. Color the white paper with the peach crayon and glue it to the back of the mask.



4.) Cut small eyes from yellow paper and glue to the front of the mask. Glue the mask to the cardboard tube.



5.) Cut the pants from back paper and glue around the cardboard tube.

6.) Cut a strip of yellow paper for the belt and glue around the top of the pants.

7.) Cut out bat and cape from black paper. Glue the bat to his chest and the cape to his back





Cardboard Tube Superman

By: [Amanda Formaro for AllFreeKidsCrafts](#)

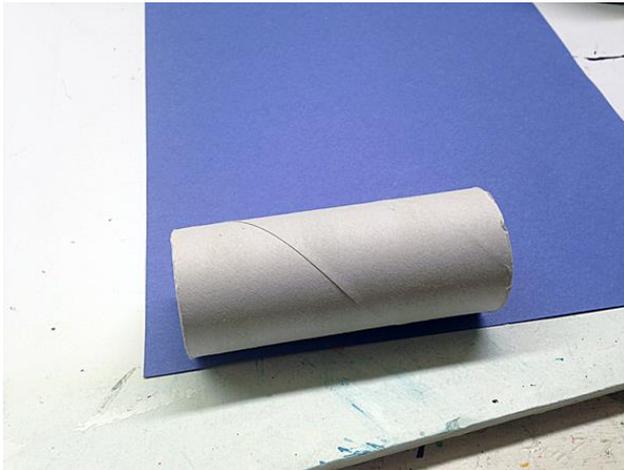
It's a bird! It's a plane! No, it's [Cardboard Tube Superman!](#) In just a few simple steps, kids can create their favorite superhero out of items you already have in the house. Homemade toys that double as recycled crafts for kids are a blast to make, and the free printable template included makes this project super easy. In a matter of minutes, kids will be acting out their own high-flying adventures!

Materials:

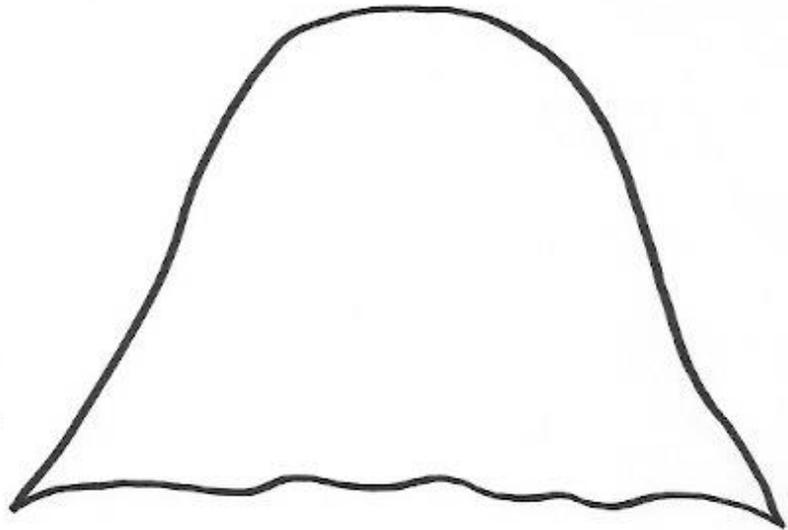
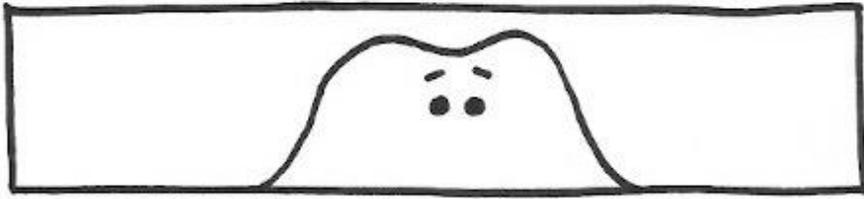
- 4-inch cardboard tube
- Construction paper: blue, red, white, yellow
- Peach crayon
- Black and red markers
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Superman template

Instructions:

1.) Use a glue stick to cover the cardboard tube with blue paper.



2.) Print the template. ([Download as a PDF here](#), or scroll to the next page)

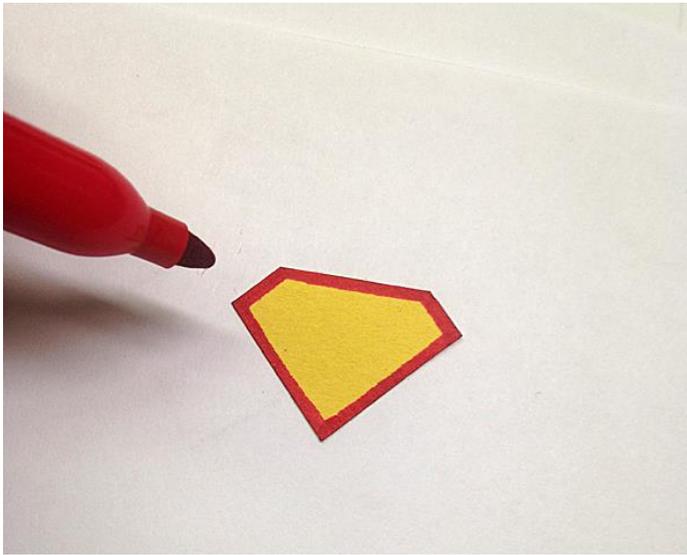


3.) Cut the head section from white paper. Color the face with peach crayon and color the remaining area (hair) with black marker. Use black marker to add eyes. Glue the head section to the cardboard tube.

4.) Cut the pants from red paper and glue around the cardboard tube.

5.) Cut a strip of yellow paper for the belt and glue around the top of the pants.

6.) Cut out superhero emblem from yellow paper. Draw a red outline around the emblem and draw an S in the middle. Glue the emblem to the chest.



7.) Cut out cape from red paper. Glue the cape to his back.



Comic Book Fight Words

By: [Abby from Just a Girl and Her Blog](#)

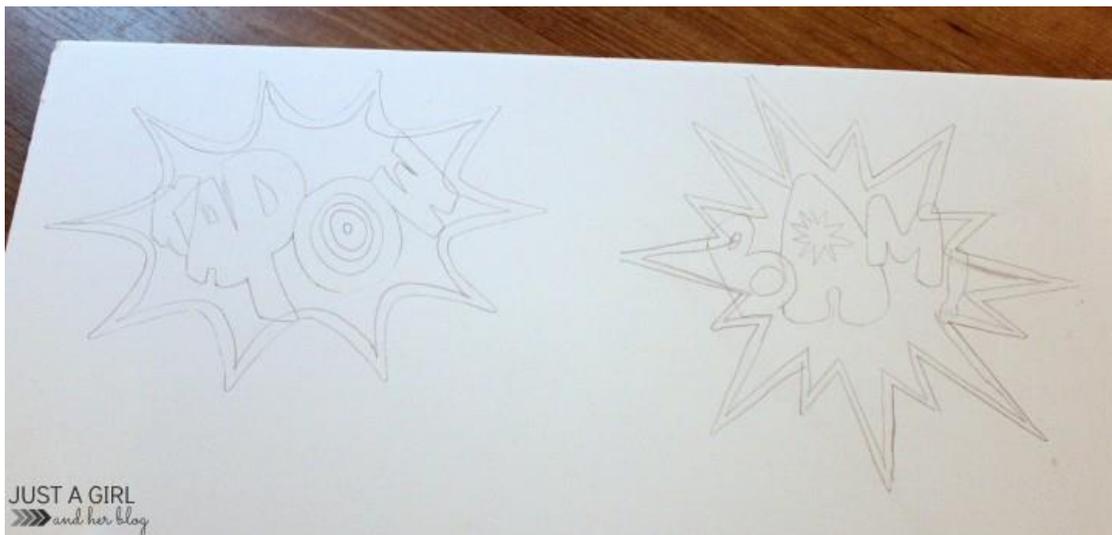
KAPOW! BAM! WHACK! Colorful words help comic books come to life, and now your little ones can make their superhero dreams a reality. [Comic Book Fight Words](#) are a hilarious way to pack a punch of fun into everyday life as your crime-fighting kiddos defeat imaginary villains. Comic Book Fight Words make great additions to superhero Halloween costumes, but you can also use them as entertaining decorations for your child's bedroom. Coloring projects for kids have never been so action-packed!

Materials:

- Neon permanent markers
- Black permanent marker
- Foam Board
- X-acto Knife
- Pencil

Instructions:

1.) Create templates for the fight words. You can use online clip art or draw them yourself. Draw the design on the foam board with a pencil.



2.) Using neon permanent markers, begin coloring. Add dots to the white space for a fun, retro look.



3.) Outline the words and the bubble in black permanent marker.



4.) Using the X-Acto knife, cut out the comic book fight words.

5.) Go fight crime!



Comic Book Corner Bookmarks

By: [Amanda Formaro for AllFreeKidsCrafts](#)

Save your spot with [Comic Book Corner Bookmarks](#)! Having a fun homemade bookmark is a great way to encourage kids to read more, since they can catch a glimpse of their favorite comic book heroes every time they pick up their book. Because this tutorial makes four Comic Book Corner Bookmarks, kids can make one for themselves and give the rest to their crime-fighting friends.

Materials:

- Comic book page (one page makes 4 bookmarks)
- Scissors & ruler or cutting board with measurement markings
- Glue stick

Instructions:

1.) Cut comic book page into a 6"x6" square.



2.) Fold paper in half, like a book, crease well.



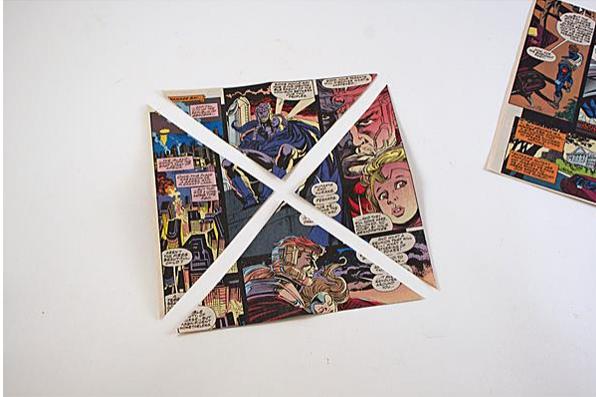
3.) Open paper and fold in half again, in the other direction, again like a book. Crease well.



4.) Unfold. Fold paper in half diagonally, point to point. Crease well.



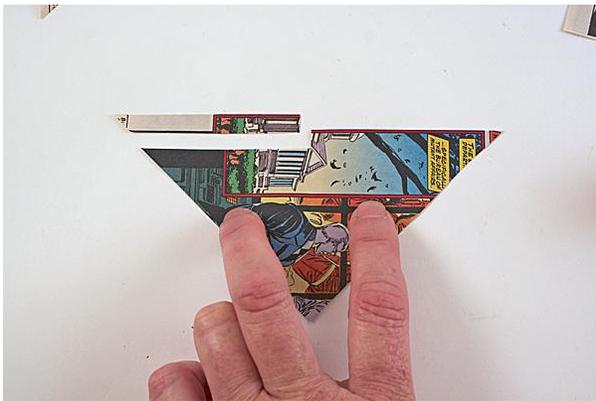
5.) Cut the paper into four triangles, cutting along the crease, point-to-point.



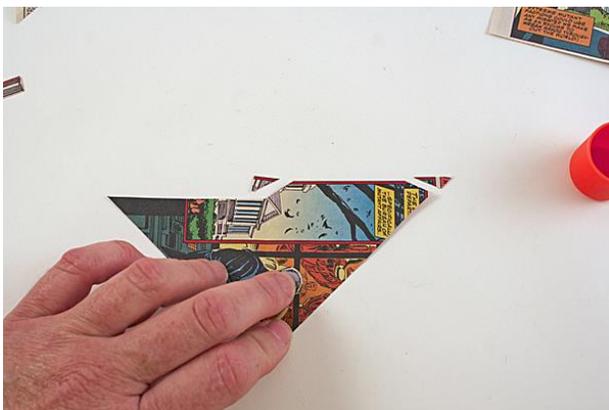
6.) Take one triangle and fold it in half and crease well. Unfold.

7.) In order to create the tab that holds your bookmark closed, place triangle on work surface with the top point pointing downward.

8.) Cut about 1¼-inch off the top left side from the edge to the crease.



9.) From the remaining piece of the right, cut the corners off on a diagonal.



10.) Refold the triangle along the crease. There will be a tab above the triangle edge.

11.) To seal the bookmark, apply glue stick to the tab and press it down to stick it to the triangle.



12.) Place the bookmark on the corner of the page in your book you wish to mark. If it seems loose, you can insert several pages for a more snug fit.



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DIY Batman Wrist Cuffs

By: [Amanda Formaro for AllFreeKidsCrafts](#)

Help your little heroes spark their superhero-sized imaginations with these easy [DIY Batman Wrist Cuffs](#). These cuffs are one of the easiest toilet paper roll crafts for kids to make. This fun superhero craft project will keep your kiddos busy, and in no time at all, they will be running around the house fighting crime dressed as their favorite caped crusader.

Materials:

- 4-inch cardboard tube
- Black construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Bat logo template

Instructions:

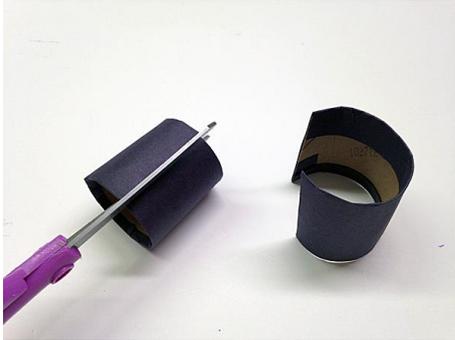
- 1.) Cut cardboard tube in half.
- 2.) Cut two 3-inch wide strips of black construction paper, long enough to wrap around the tube.



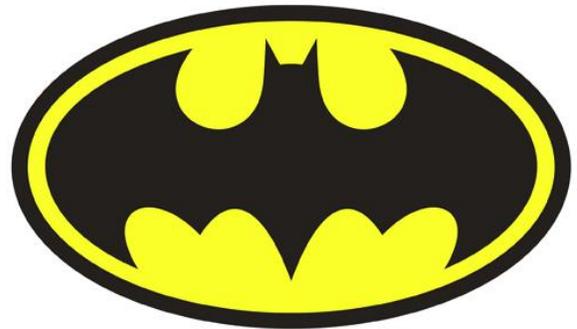
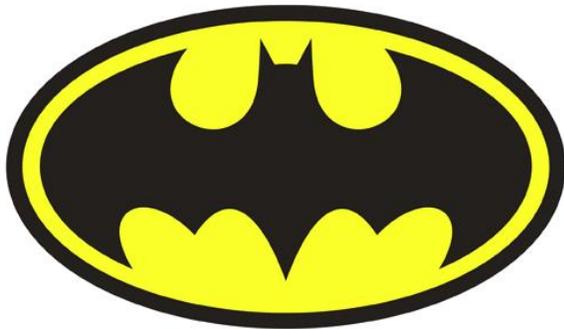
- 3.) Use glue stick to cover the tubes with the black paper, tucking the excess inside the tube.



4.) Make a single cut through each tube to open them up and create cuff bracelets.



5.) Print the bat patterns and cut them out. ([Download as a PDF here](#), or print logos below) Glue the bat symbols to the front of the cuffs.





Around the House Stegosaurus

By: [Emily from True Blue Aggie Fans](#)

Dinosaur crafts are always a blast, but when you can make a Jurassic friend from items around your house, they're even more fun. Start with a treasure hunt to see what you can find to create your [Around the House Stegosaurus](#). Paper plate crafts are great art projects for kids, since they cost next to nothing to make. Your little ones will love how easy it is to whip up one of these mighty dinos.

Materials:

- Green paint
- Paper plate
- White cardstock
- Clothespins
- Googly eyes
- Glue

Instructions:

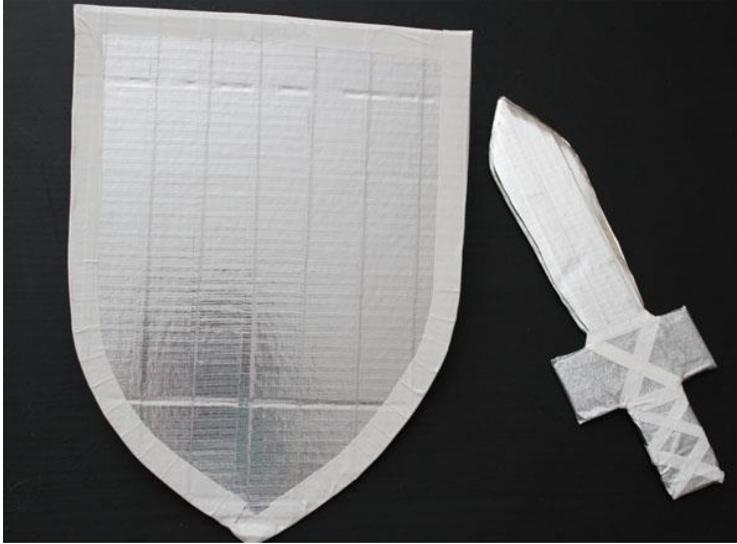
1.) Cut the dinosaur's body out of the paper plate.



2.) With the white cardstock, cut four rectangles for the legs.

3.) Paint the paper plate, cardstock, and clothespins green.

4.) Once the paint is dry, glue the legs and googly eyes onto the paper plate. Clip clothespins onto the paper plate.



Duct Tape Sword and Shield

By: [Carolina from 30 Minute Crafts](#)

Your little ones will be fully prepared to tackle imaginary dragons and defend their blanket forts with these easy-to-make-homemade toys. The [Duct Tape Sword and Shield](#) are quick duct tape crafts for kids to make and personalize. Kids can even make their shields out of several different kinds of duct tape to put a funky twist on their new toys. You and your little ones can whip up the Duct Tape Sword and Shield in no time at all, so your kids can spend more time enjoying their hard work.

Materials:

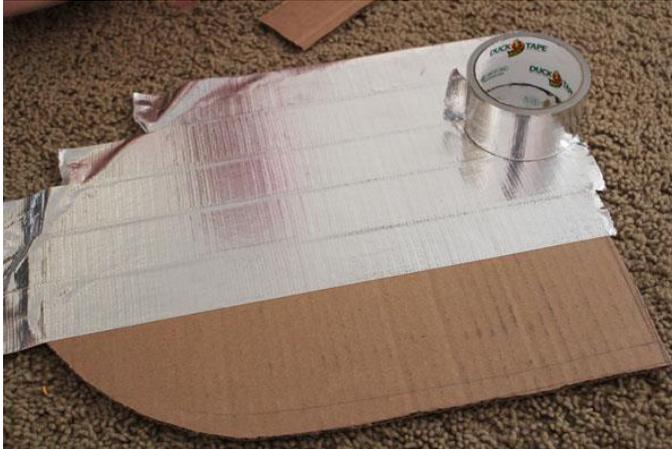
- Cardboard Box
- Silver Duck Tape
- Glitter Duck Tape
- Colored Duck Tape (white tape was used with this tutorial)
- Scissors
- Craft Knife
- Pencil or marker

Instructions:

1.) Trace a shield shape on cardboard. Cut out the shield and cut an extra strip of cardboard for a handle.



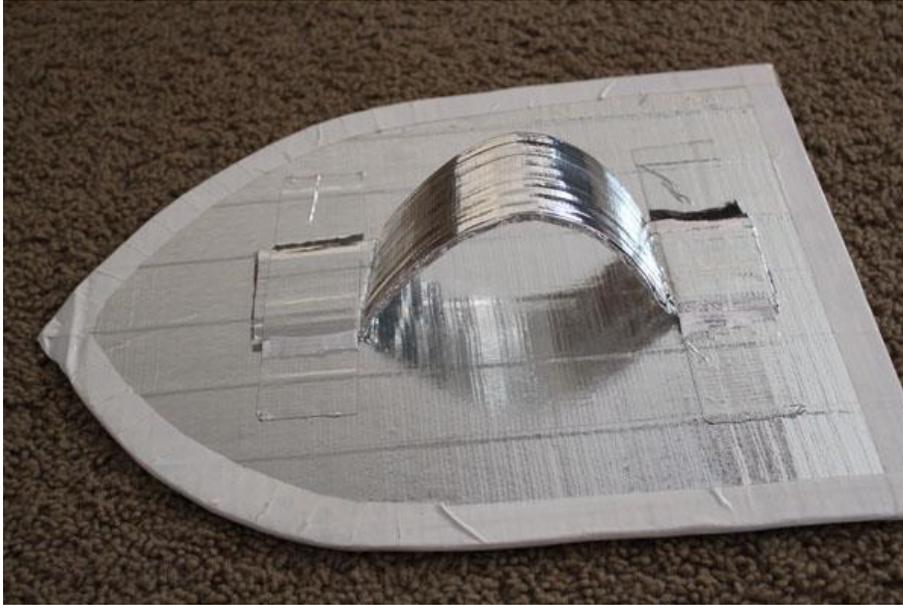
2.) Using the silver Duck Tape, cover both sides of the shield and the handle. Trim any excess Duck Tape.



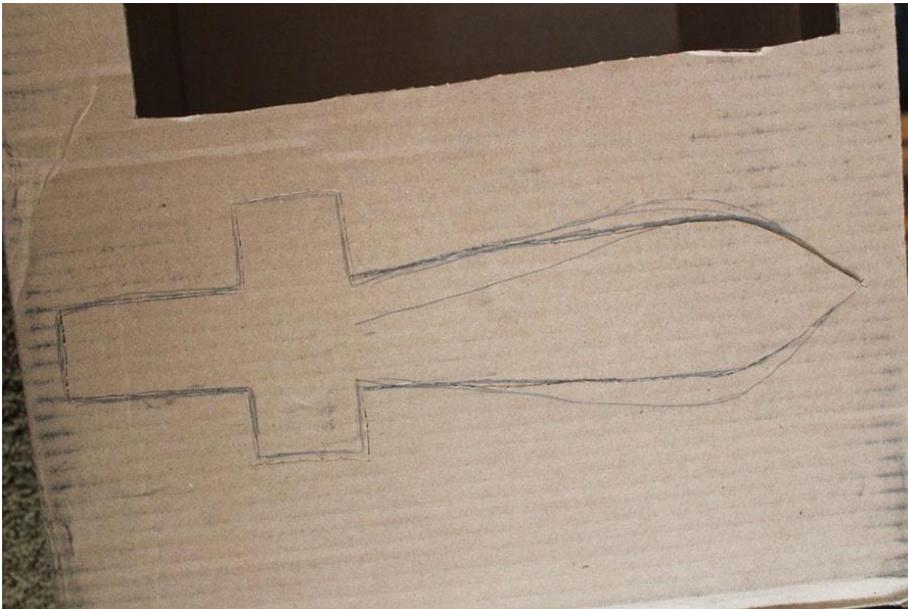
3.) With the colored Duck Tape, cover the edge of the shield. *Tip: cut small strips in the duct tape before flattening the tape to the cardboard. This will help you tape around the curves of the shield.*



4.) Before adding the handle, crease the cardboard, starting about 2" from one end, and ending about 2" from the other end. Tape the handle to the back of the shield.



5.) Trace a sword shape on another piece of cardboard. *Tip: shorter swords are sturdier than long swords.*



6.) Using the silver Duck Tape, cover both sides of the sword. Trim any excess Duck Tape.

9.) Add glitter Duck Tape to the handle and use colored Duck Tape to add a design.





Daring Duct Tape Rockets

By: [Larissa from Just Another Day in Paradise](#)

Never has spacecraft construction been so eco-friendly and exciting. These [Daring Duct Tape Rockets](#) are pretty incredible; it's never been so easy to make your own toys out of recyclables! Gather up all of your household goods and prepare for launch. Get ready in 3, 2, 1...craft off!

Materials:

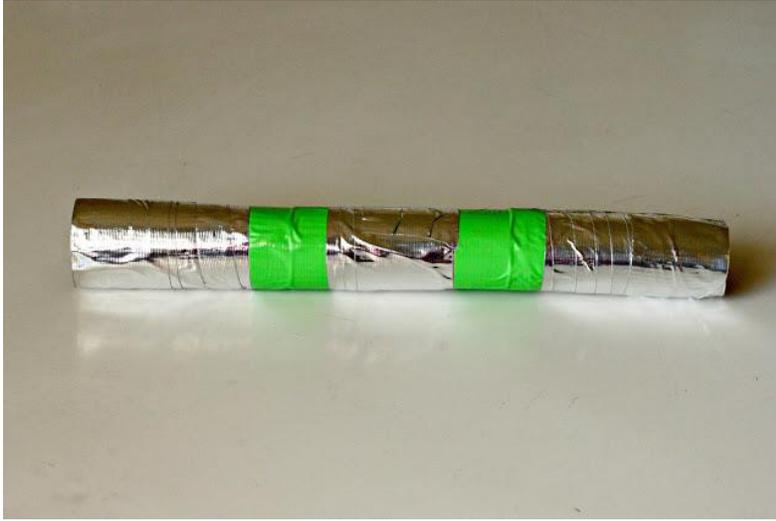
- 3 toilet paper rolls
- Metallic duct tape
- Solid color duct tape
- Cereal box or other thin cardboard
- Scissors or craft knife
- Fabric scraps, felt, construction paper, or tissue paper (for flames)

Instructions:

1.) Attach the three tubes together with the solid duct tape, making two rings.



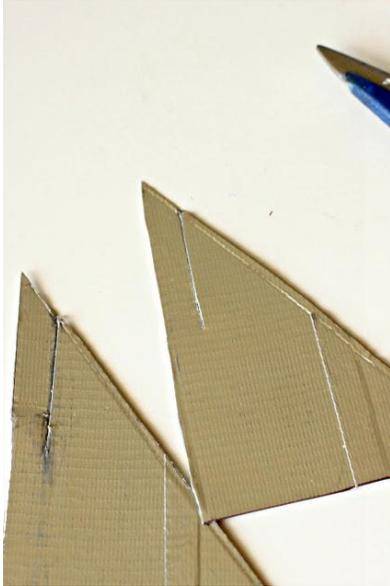
2.) Use the metallic duct tape to cover the rest of the toilet paper tubes, rolling up until each section is covered. Leave the solid duct tape showing. Cover one of the ends to create the top of the rocket.



3.) Cut triangles from thin cardboard, measuring approximately 4 inches x3 inches. Cover each wing with tape and trim and excess.



4.) From the tall edge of the triangle, cut down about 1 ½ inches to make a slit.



5.) At the end of the rocket, cut a 3 to 3 ½ inch slits on opposite sides. Slip the slit of the wings into the slits of the rocket.



6.) Hot glue the strips of fabric (or material of choice) to the bottom on the inside.



7.) 'Let them dry before the flying begins.



Simply Recycled Space Ships

By: [Kimberly from Five Little Chefs](#)

With ordinary household items, you can make crafts that are out of this world! [Simply Recycled Space Ships](#) can be made with just about anything you have on hand, so you can let your little astronauts do all the dreaming. Cool crafts for kids can sometimes be expensive or difficult to make, but these fun crafts for kids are neither. They are free, and simply require creativity!

Materials:

- Paper bowls
- Old CDs
- Plastic Easter eggs
- Tin foil
- Paper towel rolls
- Pom poms
- Pipe cleaners
- Markers
- Tape and/or glue
- Construction paper
- Any other household items you have

Instructions:

- 1.) To make a smaller space craft, glue both halves of a plastic Easter egg to opposite sides of an old CD. Decorate with pom poms and pipe cleaners.
- 2.) To make a larger space craft, cover two paper bowls in foil. Glue or tape them together, adding a pipe cleaner around the edge where the bowls meet. Add pom poms or construction paper accents.
- 3.) Experiment! Encourage children to come up with their own space ship designs using other materials you have on hand.





Clothespin Military Airplanes

By: [Amanda Formaro for AllFreeKidsCrafts](#)

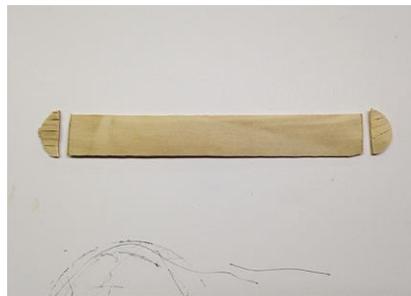
Learning how to make an airplane is a lot of fun, especially when you use materials that you never thought of using. These [Clothespin Military Airplanes](#) are some of the coolest homemade toys; we bet you would have never thought to turn clothespins and Popsicle sticks into a miniature aircraft! Your little ones won't have a chance to say that they're bored during craft time when they make these little planes.

Materials:

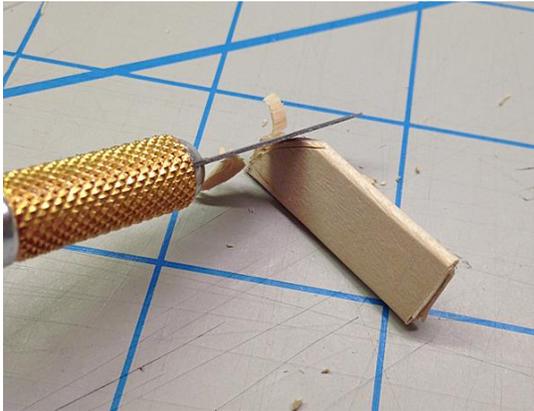
- 2 Jumbo craft sticks
- 2 Miniature craft sticks
- 2 Wooden clothespins
- Paint: gray and olive green
- Paint pens: red, white, blue
- Craft knife
- Cutting mat
- Sandpaper
- Paintbrush
- White craft glue

Instructions:

1.) Cut the rounded ends off the jumbo craft sticks, and then cut the jumbo craft sticks in half. Cut the ends off the miniature craft sticks, and then cut the miniature craft sticks in half.



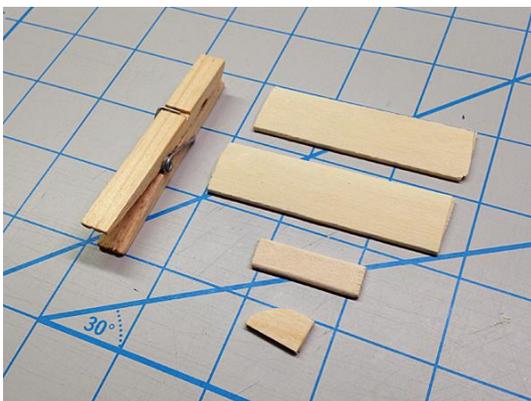
2.) Use your craft knife to round the end of one of the miniature craft stick halves. Repeat for the second one.



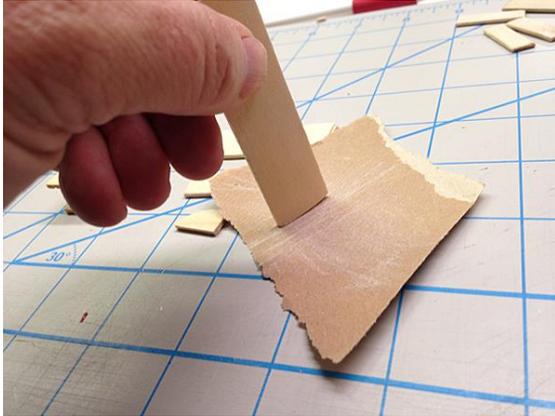
3.) After rounding the end, cut that piece in half, keeping only the rounded half. Repeat for the second one.



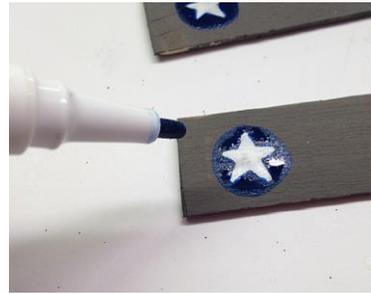
4.) For each airplane you should now have a wooden clothespin, two large pieces for the wings, one small piece for the horizon tail, and the rounded piece for the vertical tail.



5.) Sand the edges of each cut piece.



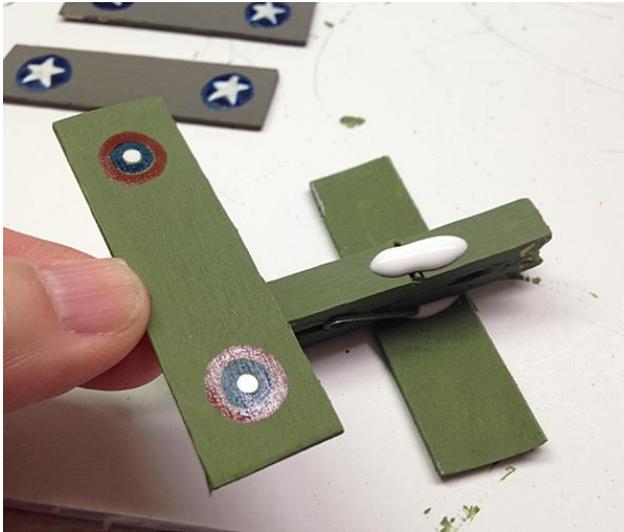
6.) Paint the pieces for one plane gray and the pieces for the other plane green. Use paint pens to add details to the wings and vertical tails.



7.) To assemble, place one of the wings upside down so that the emblems are facing downward. Add a line of white craft glue to the center of the wing. Place the clothespin into the glue.



8.) Place a line of white craft glue on top of the clothespin and place the second wing onto it, emblems facing up.



9.) Glue the horizontal tail piece to the back of the clothespin. Glue the vertical tail piece to the horizontal tail piece.



10.) Repeat these steps for the second plane. Allow everything to dry completely.

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