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Note to Adults:
Some children might be able to do some or all of these projects on their own, while others might need more help. These projects are things that you can do together, not only to avoid any problems or accidents, but also to share in the art-making fun. Adults can have just as much fun learning these techniques and making these projects as kids.

At the top of the 'You will need' boxes for each project you will find this handy key. It will tell you the difficulty level to expect from each project:

Quick creative fix - These projects are quick, easy and perfect for a beginner.

Sharpen your skills - Confident with your beginner skills? Move onto these slightly tougher projects.

Ready for a challenge - for a challenging project you can really get stuck into.

Creative masterpiece - Think you can tackle the toughest textile projects? Have a go at these.



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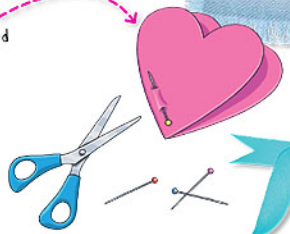
LOVE-HEART GIFT BOX

Is special occasion coming up? This cute gift box will be a great way to present your gift!

YOU WILL NEED:

- Scissors
- Felt in assorted colours
- Pins
- Needle
- Embroidery thread
- Toy stuffing
- Ribbon
- Cardboard box with lid
- Fabric glue
- Buttons and any decorations you like, such as feathers or sequins.

1 For the heart, cut out two equal-sized pieces of felt. Pin these two pieces together.

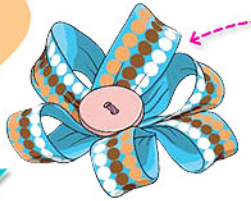




2 Using a needle and thread, stitch the heart pieces together using blanket stitch. Leave a small space to insert your toy stuffing, then stitch it completely closed.

3 Wrap a length of ribbon around the outside of your box, and secure it with fabric glue. You could stitch on one or two cut-out felt hearts to the ribbon too.





4 Gather a length of ribbon together in loops to create a flower shape. Stitch a button in the centre to hold the ribbon in place.

5 Finally, glue the stuffed felt heart and ribbon flower to the box lid using fabric glue.

Make an Easter-themed box using real feathers for a cute Easter chick!



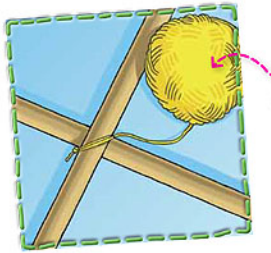
WOVEN MOBILE

This mobile will add a splash of colour to your bedroom, and it's great fun to make!

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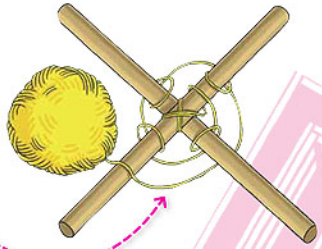
- Balls of wool in assorted colours
- Wooden dowell rods of various lengths
- Scissors
- Coloured beads



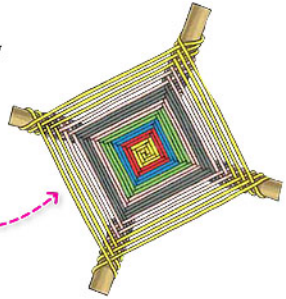


1 With the end of a small ball of wool, tie a knot around the centre of two dowelling rods. Secure the rods into a cross shape.

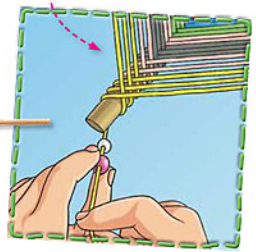
2 Weave the wool over and around one dowelling rod, then over and around the next, and so on with each rod. Make sure to keep the wool taut and keep your rods in the cross position.



3 Keep weaving and tie on new colours of wool to make a stripy effect. Stop when you have a few centimetres of space left at both ends of each rod.



4 Make a variety of different-sized woven crosses and tie them together with wool to make a hanging mobile. Finally, add colourful beads for decoration.





You can use different colours to match the colours of your bedroom!

SPACE PILLOWCASE

Want to create a theme for your bedroom? Printing on fabric can liven up plain pillowcases.

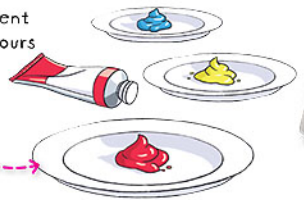
YOU WILL NEED:

- Scissors
- Large piece of cardboard
- A plain pillowcase
- Fabric paints in different colours
- Paper plates
- Various shaped and textured objects for printing
- Iron (and an adult to help you)

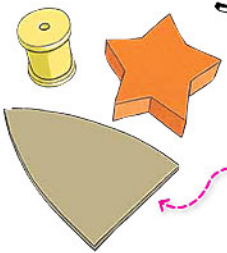
1 Cut a piece of cardboard to fit inside your pillowcase. Insert the cardboard into the pillowcase and lie it flat.



2 Squeeze different fabric paint colours onto separate paper plates.



3 Use objects, such as sponges, cotton spools and cardboard, to print with. Dip them into the paint and press them onto the fabric. You can cut out rocket ship or star shapes from sponge and cardboard.





4 Print your pattern all over the front of the pillowcase. Once dry, turn over and repeat on the back.



5 Once completely dry, ask an adult to place a thin cloth over the pillowcase and slowly iron over it on a cool setting. This will seal the paint and stop it from cracking or washing off.

Get creative and use any colours and printing objects you like. How about a nature pattern?