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Decorated eggs



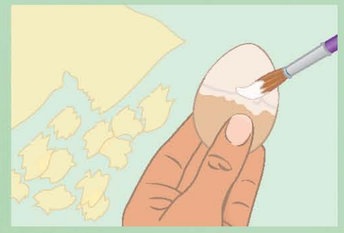
1. Tap an egg sharply on the rim of a mug to make a crack. Then, use your fingers to carefully break the egg in half over the mug.



2. Wash the eggshells carefully and leave them to dry. Then, hold one half and brush white glue along its cracked edge.



3. Carefully fit the other half on top. Brush more glue around the crack to seal it. Put it in an egg carton to dry.



4. Rip a piece of tissue paper into lots of small pieces. Then, brush the top half of the egg with white glue.



5. Press pieces of tissue paper onto the wet glue. Brush on more glue and tissue paper, until the top half is covered.



6. Leave the glue to dry. Then, hold the top half and cover the bottom half with tissue paper in the same way. Leave it to dry.





7. Mix some bright paint with a little white glue on an old plate. Paint one half of the egg and leave it to dry. Then, paint the rest.



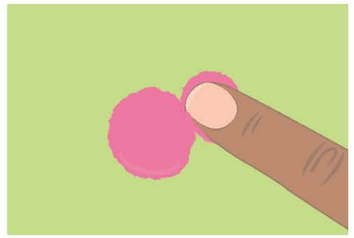
8. When the paint is dry, mix other shades of paint with white glue. Use a thin paintbrush to decorate your egg with flowers and spots.



Fingerprinted bunnies



1. Make two blobs of bright pink paint by mixing red and white paints. Then, mix more white paint into one blob to make it paler pink.



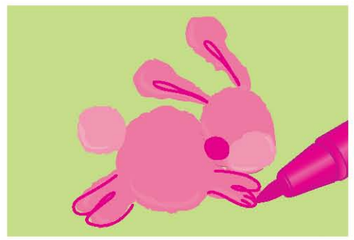
2. Dip a finger into the bright paint and finger paint a bunny's body. Then, finger paint a head on one side of the body.



3. Use your little finger to fingerprint the legs. Then, dip the side of your little finger in the paint and print two long ears.



4. Using the paler paint, fingerprint a patch on the bunny's head, where the nose and mouth will be. Add a print for the tail, too.

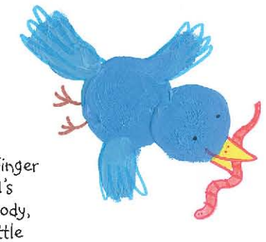


5. When the paint is dry, draw a cheek using a pink felt-tip pen. Draw shapes inside the ears and around the legs. Add lines for claws.



6. Use a black felt-tip pen to add dots for eyes. Draw a round nose and add curves for a smiling mouth. Then, draw lines for the whiskers.





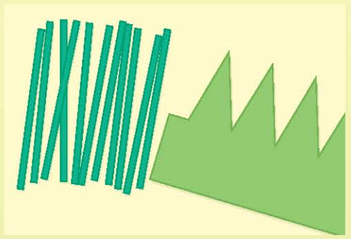
You could finger paint a bird's head and body, then add little fingerprints for wings and a tail.

This tree was painted with a brush and left to dry. The leaves, apples and nest were then finger painted on top.

Easter crown



1. Cut a wide strip of thick green paper that fits around your head and overlaps a little. Draw a zig-zag for grass and cut along it.



2. Cut out stalks, longer than the height of the crown. You will need enough stalks to make a flower between each blade of grass.



3. Draw flowers with five petals on yellow or orange paper. Then, draw smaller flowers with square ends. Cut out all the flowers.



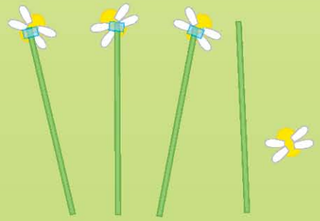
4. Glue the small flowers onto the bigger ones, so that the petals lie in between the other petals, like this. Bend the little petals up.



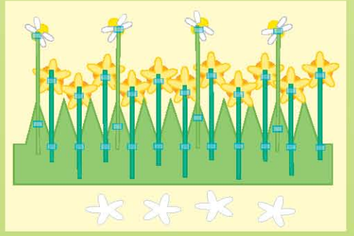
5. Tape a stalk to the back of each flower. Then, tape the stalks in between the blades of grass, at slightly different heights.



6. To make bees, cut out four bodies from yellow paper. Draw black stripes and eyes. Then, cut out four wings and glue them to the backs.



7. Cut out four long thin stalks from green paper. Turn the bees over and tape a stalk onto the back of each one.



8. Tape the bees in between the flowers, but so that they are a little higher up. Then, cut out some more flowers from white paper.



9. Add a yellow middle to the flowers and glue them on the crown. Then, bend the crown around your head and tape it together.



You could decorate the crown with bugs from the sticker pages, too.

Follow steps 3 and 4 on page 18 to make these flowers 3-D.