Rainbow Craft for Kids

Make a rainbow from paper strips! This rainbow craft is a super fun kids craft for springtime or any time!

Active Time	Total Time
10 mins	10 mins

Yield: 1 rainbow craft Author: Debbie Chapman Cost: \$1





Equipment

- Scissors
- Ruler
- Stapler

Materials

- Construction Paper (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple)
- 2 Cotton Balls

Instructions

1. Cut a 1 inch strip from the shorter end of a piece of 12 inch by 9 inch construction paper. The strip should be 1 inch by 9 inches.



2. Cut a 1 inch by 9 inch strip from the rest of the colours of the rainbow so you have red, orange, yellow, green, blue and purple strips.



3. Trim each colour so it's about 1 inch shorter than the colour before it. Red: 9 inches (full length), Orange: 8 inches, Yellow: 7 inches, Green: 6 inches, Blue: 5 inches, Purple: 4 inches.



4. Place the strips of paper in the order of the rainbow, one on top of the other. Line up the ends of the strips on one side then staple through all 6 strips, about a 1/4 inch from the end.



5. Line up the ends of the other end of each strip of paper. Start by matching up the ends of the two shortest strips (purple and blue). Then one by one, line up the end of the next colour until all of the ends are together.



6. Again, staple together the strips of paper, about a 1/4 inch from the end.



7. Your strips of paper should arch just like a rainbow.



8. To make the clouds, you'll need to fluff up a cotton ball. If your cotton ball doesn't pull apart easily use scissors to make a small cut on one side of the cotton ball.



9. Then stretch it and pull it apart into a cloud shape.



10. Place one end of the rainbow in the middle of the cotton ball. Then fold the cotton ball up on each side and staple it to the rainbow to hold it in place.



11. Repeat for the cotton ball on the other side of the rainbow, and your rainbow craft is complete!



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