

Craft ideas



Headbands with cat ears

What you will need:

- headbands and pipe cleaners

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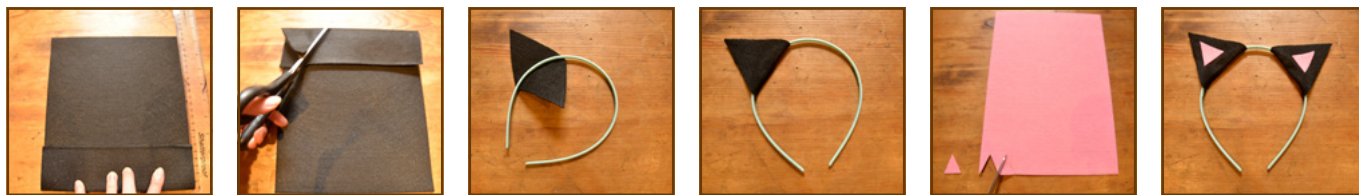
- headbands and felt, scissors, glue

Steps – using pipe cleaners



1. Wrap the end of a pipe cleaner around the headband a few times at around 9 o'clock
2. Bend the pipe cleaner up and down to make a triangle
3. Wrap the other end of the pipe cleaner around the headband to secure in place
4. Do the same with a second pipe cleaner on the other side of the headband at around 3 o'clock

Steps – using felt



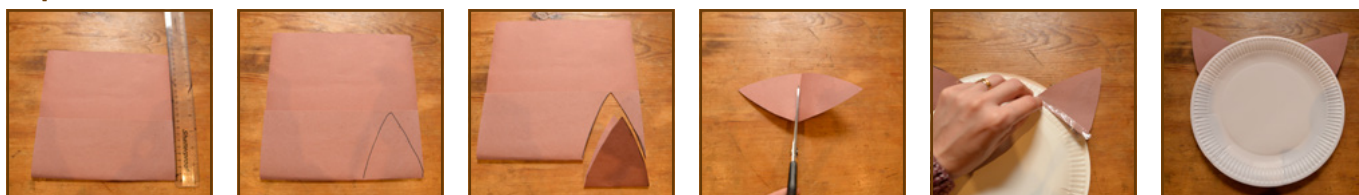
1. Fold over the short edge of your felt up to about 6cm
2. Draw a triangle and cut it out
3. Place your cut felt around the headband with the fold in line with the headband
4. Glue the felt in place
5. Repeat to create the second ear
6. Cut out smaller triangles in a different colour and glue these to the felt ears to give more detail
7. Wear with pride!

Cat plates

What you will need:

- paper plates
- card or paper
- scissors
- tape
- marker pen

Steps



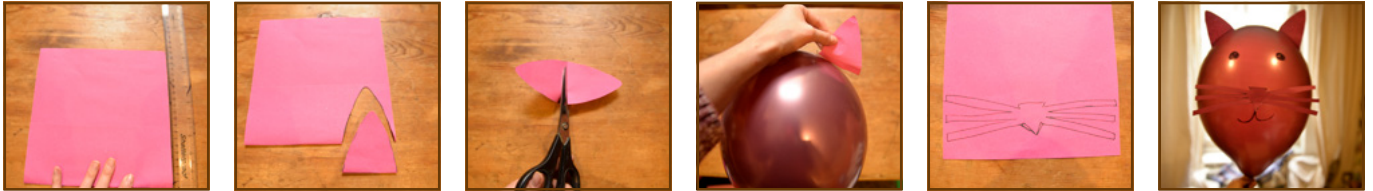
1. Fold over the short edge of your card/paper up to about 9cm
2. Draw a triangle and cut it out
3. Unfold your shape and cut in half down the fold
4. Using tape, stick these to the underside edge of your plate
5. Use to feed your feline fans!

Cat balloons

What you will need:

- balloons (helium-filled balloons work best)
- card or paper
- pen
- scissors
- tape

Steps



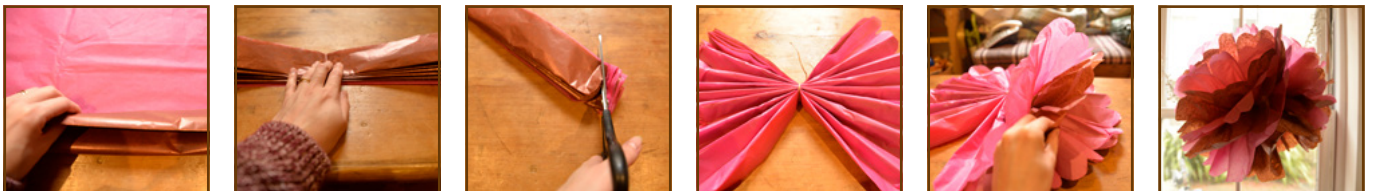
1. Fold over the short edge of your card/paper up to about 9cm
2. Draw a triangle and cut it out
3. Unfold your shape and cut in half down the fold
4. Fold a tab around 1cm wide at the bottom of each ear
5. Using tape, stick the ears on either side of the top of the balloon and the whiskers in the middle as shown
6. Draw and cut out a nose and whiskers
7. Using tape, stick the whiskers on to your balloon
8. Try adding more detail to the balloon using a marker pen

Pom poms

What you will need:

- 8 sheets of tissue paper
- strong string
- scissors

Steps



1. Lie all your sheets of tissue paper on top of each other
2. Starting from the short end, taking all the sheets together, make a fold approximately 5cm in, then fold 5cm the other way in a concertina
3. Continue to fold back and forth until you have one thick strip
4. Take a length of your string and tie it securely around the middle of your strip
5. Cut each end of your strip in a semi-circle to create rounded tips
6. Fan out each end of your strip, pulling them apart as far as they will go
7. Take each sheet of tissue and separate it, being careful not to make any tears
8. Puff out all the layers so that your pom pom is even all the way around
9. Attach a length of string to the middle piece of string and hang!



Cat craft ideas



Fishing rod toys

What you will need:

- a stick
- string
- tape
- scissors

And

- feathers
- cat toy

Or

- scraps of material

Steps

1. Wrap the string around the end of your stick several times
2. Secure the string in place with plenty of tape

Feather toy:

1. Tie the other end of the string around a spare cat toy
2. Tuck in a couple of feathers
3. Play away!

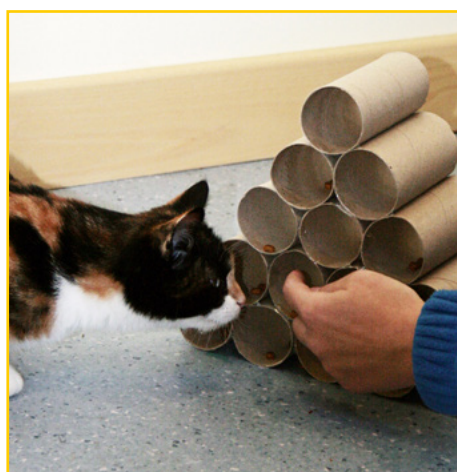
NB Make sure you throw away any feathers that come loose after playing with your cat

Rag toy:

1. Cut a piece of scrap material about 10cm long by 1-2cm wide and tie the ends together to form a small loop
2. Cut out some more strips of material the same size – you will want about 10-12 strips
3. Tie each strip around your loop with a knot in the middle
4. Keep going until you have tied all the strips to the loop
5. Tie the end of the string from your stick around the loop
6. Happy playing!

NB Make sure you throw away any rags that come loose after playing with your cat

NB Make sure you allow your cat to catch and 'kill' the toy to avoid frustration and keep toys hidden when you're not using them so your cat can't hurt themselves



Fun feeder

What you will need:

- toilet rolls
- cardboard
- tape

Steps

1. Stick a piece of tape onto both ends of each toilet roll
2. Tape some rolls to the cardboard to make the first row
3. Tape some rolls on top of the first row, making sure they are secure
4. Depending on how many rolls you have, try adding extra rows but remember to ensure all the rolls are securely in place
5. Put some cat biscuits inside the tubes (make sure you take these out of your cat's daily allowance) and show your cat how their new feeder works
6. Let your cat hunt the biscuits!



Egg box lunch box

What you will need:

- egg box
- newspaper

Steps

1. Put some cat biscuits inside the egg box (make sure you take these out of your cat's daily allowance)
2. Show your cat how to get the biscuits out of the box
3. If your cat finds this too easy, rip up the newspaper into strips, scrunch each strip into a ball and put these into each section of the egg box
4. Show your cat how to get to the biscuits and let them play!



Cat tent

What you will need:

- a cardboard box (that a cat can comfortably fit inside)
- a large old T-shirt
- scissors
- pen
- bowl or plate (at least 20cm diameter)

Steps

1. Using the plate to outline, draw a circle on two opposite sides of your box
2. Carefully cut out each circle to create two holes
3. Pull the T-shirt over the box so that the neck hole is over the hole you cut out at the front of the box
4. Tuck in the sleeves and make sure it is all neat and tidy
5. Put in cat bedding or an old jumper to make it comfy inside
6. Show your cat how to use their new tent and let them explore!



Cat bed

What you will need:

- an old jumper
- foam or stuffing
- bulldog clips
- needle and thread

Steps

1. Sew up the neck hole of the jumper
2. Put the bulldog clips on the ends of the sleeves
3. Stuff the sleeves with the foam or stuffing
4. Remove the bulldog clips and sew the two ends of the sleeves together
5. Open out the sleeves to create a circle
6. Tuck in the body of the jumper underneath
7. Sew the body of the jumper to the sleeves all the way around
8. Show your cat how to use their new bed and let them cosy up!

