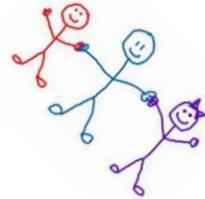
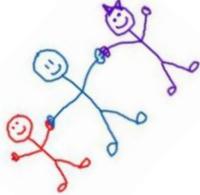


SIMPLE CRAFTS



AND S.W.A.P.S.

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“SHARE WITH A PAL”

OR

“SPECIAL WHATCHAMACALLIT AFFECTIONATLY PINNED SOMEWHERE”

SCOUT CRAFTS

A BOOK OF CRAFTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

GREAT FOR SCOUT TROOP

PRE-SCHOOLS

ART CLASSES

DAYCARES

AND

ANYONE LOOKING FOR CRAFT TIPS AND IDEAS

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A LITTLE BIT ABOUT OURSELVES

A Note From Tara McCurley

Being a Girl Scout Cadette that has been in Scouts for 6 years now, I've been doing swaps for a while now, so I've been down the block of not being able to find the right swap for the occasion. My friend Hailey and I put together this book, not just for the leaders, but for the scouts as well. When they're Brownies, Juniors, and Cadettes, they might want to set up their own swaps to share with friends or trade them with other troops. Swaps are a great way to make new friends, and to expand your horizons beyond what you already know. Of course, the book isn't just for Girl Scouts, it can also be used for daycares, classrooms, etc...SWAP's are great ways to entertain young children and give them positive outlets for their energy.

We alphabetized them making it easier to find and get exactly what you want straight off the bat. There are swaps for holidays, cuisine, time periods, clothing, and the basic Girl Scout wants such as campfires and sleepovers. Most of the swaps are very simple, and are made with materials that can be found around the household or bought in a cheap store. We hope you find what you're looking for in this book, and to have a little fun along the way!

A Note From Hailey Petruzzelli

Over the years as a Girl Scout I've noticed that it's surprisingly difficult to find the right swap for the right occasion. We planned many events which included either a SWAP or a small craft for the attendees. Finding the right one was difficult at times. For my silver award project, my friend Tara and I decided that we would terminate the problem with hunting down swaps by putting a bunch of them all in one book, so they would be easy to find and choose from. We surveyed various troop leaders, daycare providers, and children to find out what they would like in the book. The end result is this book. We hope you find it as helpful as we hoped it would be.

This book is compiled of crafts, swaps and photos from not only our own sources but also those that are in various areas on the internet. We want to give kudos to those who have made their crafts and swaps public for all those to enjoy.... We also want to thank all the Scout Leaders, Daycare Providers, Libraries and Schools that allowed us to present this project to their children. Without your input and help this project would not have been possible.

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S.W.A.P.S.

Special Whatchamacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere



Share With A Pal

What is the History of S.W.A.P.

The SWAPS stems from a Native American culture. “Potlatching” is the ceremonial exchange of gifts that Native Americans of Northwest Coastal tribes would do. The custom stems from the legend explaining about how the birds have colored feathers.... two Indian girls plucked feathers of a magic bird and distributed the multi-colored plumage to the colorless birds living in the forest - yellow and brown feathers for the meadowlark, red feathers for the robin, brown feathers for the wren, yellow and black feathers for the finch. After that birds always would have brightly colored feathers. Gift giving was then known as a “potlatch ceremony”. Families would be summoned to the “potlatch” and the number of sticks sent with the invite was to represent the number of family members invited. The ceremony might include speeches, songs, dances, games, races, and refreshments. The host and members of his family were costumed and enacted legends about their heritage. The potlatch gifts were often elaborate and were presented at the very end of the ceremony as a token to the invited guest. The potlatch gifts were items such as carved boxes, canoes, dishes, jewelry, mats and baskets and always handmade. These ceremonies took place to commemorate births, deaths, marriages, or coming of age for members of the group.

SWAP’s were first introduced At the first National Girl Scout Round-Up in 1956 the term “swap” was introduced on a national level by GSUSA in what was called the “Swap Tent.” This was a gathering place where Girl Scouts made new friends and exchanged personal tokens that represented something the person felt dearly about. It was often handmade and represented the girl, her country, her community, her background or special interest. Swapping was a way of starting correspondence with Girl Scouts from other states and countries. Swaps are exchanged at National Conventions, Council events, SU or neighborhood events, troop meetings and most frequently at camp. They can have a tag attached with the event name and date or the Troop number, Council name or State. In some countries SWAPS are called hat crafts as some will pin them on a SWAP hat.

Swapping promotes friendship, encourages girls to talk to other people. SWAPS are great mementos of a good time as well as a great way to share something about where we live and what we do. Originally, swapping was a good way of starting a correspondence or pen pal and for this reason girls included their full name, address and date of the event, clearly on the swap. For events outside your council area you may suggest leaving private information off and just including event date, troop number or council name. When SWAPPING.... Remember that the girl who is giving it worked hard on it... etiquette states that you take it, say THANK YOU and give her a SWAP of your own.... BE A SISTER TO EVERY GIRL SCOUT!

ANTS ON A LOG

Material list: sticks, plastic ants, pin backs.

The traditional snack of "ants on a log" (celery stalk with cream cheese and raisins) comes to life in this cute swap. Using a stick a few inches long, glue on plastic toy ants. Glue on pin back and add a fun tag. Great for a picnic or camping trip



ALIEN FACE

Material list: craft foam, safety pins

Cut alien face shape out of fun foam. Cut out eyes and mouth, punch hole in top and hang from safety pin... you could add pony beads and a fun tag.



ALIEN SPACESHIP

Material list: craft foam, safety pins

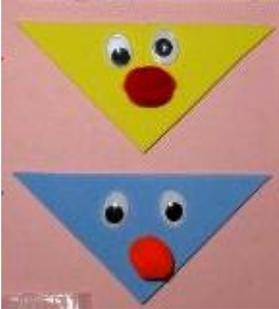
*Cut or punch 2" oval foam shapes, 1/4" foam dots or sequins or clear seed beads and 1" foam circles. Glue dots or sequins to the oval to represent lights and glue the oval to the circle. Add safety pin and a fun tag
Great for a sleepover at the Planetarium*



ALL EYES-BIG NOSE

Material list: craft foam, 7mm wiggle eyes, 10mm pom-poms, safety pins

Cut 3" triangles out of fun foam. Hint: cut 4" squares and cut in half will make a perfect triangle. Glue wiggle eyes and pom-pom nose. Add a safety pin and a fun tag with a silly saying for event



ANGEL (Pasta)

Material list: bow tie pasta, white paint, glitter, 13mm clear faceted beads, pin backs

Angel body and wings are one bow tie pasta. Break second bow tie pasta in half and hot glue to wings for lower body. When glue is dry paint white and when almost dry sprinkle with glitter. Glue on a clear bead for the head. Hot glue a pin on the back of the wings along with a fun saying or event date.



ANGEL DUST

Material list: cardstock, white glitter, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the little angel. Add the following saying "Within this little bag Placed with loving care, Is special angel dust My Guardian placed there. It is to share with special friends when they're down or feeling blue, To lift their heart and share a smile As special friends should do." Place glitter inside mini ziploc bag and staple to card. Add a safety pin. Great for a first meet and greet event.



BAG OF ICE

Material list: rock salt (or doll filler pellets), mini zip lock bags, bread ties, safety pins

Cut the top off of a mini zip lock bag. Fill 2/3 full with rock salt or doll pellets (we like to use doll pellets so that it is safe for all ages). Using a bread tie, twist to close at the top. Attach a safety pin and a tag with a fun saying. Great for a cookout or maybe a “winter event”



BAKED POTATO

Materials list: plastic bingo or poker chip, aluminum foil, yellow craft foam, cotton balls, glue

Using 1/2 cotton ball roll into a small elongated ball. Wrap with aluminum foil, tuck ends under. Press into potato shape and glue to bingo chip. Snip top of aluminum foil open and glue small pad of craft foam for the butter on top.

Hot glue a pin back on the bottom of the plate and add a tag with a fun saying or event date. Great for an outdoor cooking event.



BALLOON BOUQUET

Material list: craft foam, string, safety pins

Cut balloon shapes out of fun foam and glue together in the shape of a bouquet. Glue on string and hang from a safety pin and add a tag with party date, or birthday information... could be used for baby shower just use “baby colors”



BANANA BOAT

Material list: plastic bingo or poker chips, foil, yellow spaghetti beads, brown paint, pin backs

Cut foil into 2" squares and glue to the top of the bingo chip. Glue spaghetti bead to the aluminum foil. Fold up foil around bead to resemble a foil packet. Drizzle brown paint over bead and let dry. Hint: you can use brown hot glue for a very fast dry. You could also add small cotton balls under banana to make it look like ice cream.. Hot glue a pin back on the bottom of the plate. You can also make this into a hot dog by using other color beads and paint



BANANA SPLIT BEAD VERSION

Material list: plastic bingo chip, 12 mm wood beads or white pony beads, yellow spaghetti beads, red, brown and yellow paint, glue, pin backs

Glue 3 ea. 12mm wood beads (or pony beads) across the center of the bingo chip. Paint white and let dry. Drizzle yellow, red and brown paint for toppings and let dry. Glue a yellow spaghetti bead on each side of the beads for bananas. Hot glue a pin back on the bottom and add a tag with a fun saying or event information... Great idea for an ice cream social



BANANA SPLIT POM POM VERSION

Material list: Plastic bingo chips, 7mm white pom poms, paint, 4mm red seed bead, yellow spaghetti beads, pin back, glue

Glue 3 pom poms to the bingo chip. Drizzle red, yellow and brown paint for toppings and let dry. Glue a Spaghetti bead on each side of the pom poms for bananas and red bead for cherry. Hot glue a pin back on the bottom of the plate.



BANANA SPLIT SOFT SERVE (this version takes a few days to complete)

Material list: plastic bingo chips, white caulk, yellow spaghetti beads, red, yellow and brown paint, pin backs

Glue 2 ea. yellow spaghetti beads to the plate (for bananas). Be sure to leave plenty of space between beads. Fashion 3 dollops of white caulk between beads to look like ice cream (practice on paper first to get the feel of the caulk). Let dry for several days. Drizzle yellow, red and brown paint for toppings and let dry. Hot glue a pin back on the bottom and add a fun tag



BANDANA

Material list: full size bandanas or bright fabric, safety pins

Cut a 3" square of fabric. Fold square in half, and fold in half again forming a triangle. Pull end through a pony bead to hold. Add safety pin after the pony bead to keep it from slipping off. Add a tag with a fun saying... great for a campfire gathering.



BARREL OF MONKEYS

Materials list: plastic film canister, plastic gimp, paper or plastic monkeys, safety pins, paper labels

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot on inside of lid. Place several monkeys inside canister and replace lid. Label as Barrel of Monkeys and add a safety pin through the loop.



BAT BRAINS

Material list: cardstock, slime, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the bat. Place a small amount of slime mixed (see recipe for slime on recipe page.) with food coloring for bat brains in the zip loc bag, close and staple to card with bat clipart and saying. Add a safety pin



BEACH IN A BAG

Materials list: zip lock bags, sand, umbrellas, sandal erasers, shells, towel, safety pins

Fill a mini zip lock bag 1/4 full with sand. Add a mini paper umbrella and a mini seashell. Add a sandal eraser and hand towel cut to fit baggie for a more polished look. Attach a safety pin and a tag with a fun saying. Great for a beach party or trip to the beach.



BEAD SWAP

Materials list: plastic gimp, assorted tri-beads and letter beads, safety pins

String beads and bells onto lanyard lacing (plastic gimp). Add letter beads to spell camp, your troop number, child's name, event title. Colored beads for holidays. Use your imagination. Tie knots onto ends to keep beads on. Attach a safety pin



BEADED FRIEND

Materials list: 6" pipe cleaner, 4 ea 8mm silver beads, 1 tri-bead, 5/8" wood beads, safety pin

Feed 2 silver spacer beads 1/4" from the bottom of the pipe cleaner, fold the end so beads cannot fall off .

Feed on to the pipe cleaner in the following order: 1 ea. 5/8" wooden bead, 1 silver spacer bead, 1 colored tri-bead, 1 silver spacer bead. Fashion a hanger with the leftover pipe cleaner by making a loop and twist closed.

Repeat to complete "friends" Add to a safety pin by threading through the loop . Color face, eyes as desired.

Add a tag with a fun saying. Great for a first time friends meet and greet, first meeting, first day of school



BEADY BUDDY

Materials list: 5/8" wood beads, 12" lengths of hemp twine or colored twine, 9mm pony beads, marker, safety pins

Fold twine in half and tie a simple overhand knot near the top. Double it so the bead will not slide off. Insert safety pin through the loop (this will be the top of the Friend). Now starting from the bottom of the twine.

Feed a pony bead onto the twine. Lay the wood bead so the holes are on the sides. Feed the 2 strands of twine through the bead on the two opposite sides crisscrossing inside the pony bead. Feed another pony bead from the bottom up and pull tight. Double overhand knot again and trim excess as desired. Draw face as desired. (you could also add hair if you chose to) Add a pin to the top of the Friend, add a fun tag.



BEADS AND WHISTLE

Materials list: 3-12" lengths of plastic gimp, plastic whistle, pony beads, safety pins

Feed 3 lengths of plastic gimp through the eye of the safety pin. Pull the safety pin to the center and tie a simple overhand knot near the top. Feed 5 pony beads on each of 5 pieces of gimp tie off with several simple overhand knots on each one. Feed the whistle on the 6th piece of plastic gimp and tie off with several simple overhand knots.



BEAUTIFUL BUGS

Material list: wood or foam butterfly or flying bug shapes, cardstock, safety pins

Make a card with the poem below. Glue butterfly shape to card and add a safety pin. "Flutter, Flutter, Flutterby..... Flying high in the big blue sky. Hold them gently, let them fly. Beautiful creatures of the sky."



BED BUGS ON A BED ROLL

Materials list: felt, small glass gems, yarn, wiggle eyes, safety pins

Cut felt into 1" X 4" strips and tie off with 2 pieces of yarn. Glue glass gem to the felt bedroll and let dry. Glue on wiggle eyes and let dry. Add a safety pin.



BED HEAD

Material list: felt, craft spoons, doll hair, markers, safety pins

Cut felt to 2" X 8" strips. Fashion a bedroll pillow by rolling about 2" of the felt. Add a bit of hot glue or craft glue to hold in place. Glue the wood body to the pillow, fold up sides and glue. Cut about 12" of doll hair and fold over several times. Glue to wood body and allow to dry completely. Fluff and trim hair as needed. Mark eyes and face. Add a safety pin and a fun tag



BEDROLL

Material list: felt, yarn, safety pins

Cut felt 1" X 4" and roll together. Tie off with yarn and add a safety pin.



BEDTIME MARSHMALLOW

Material list: fabric, cotton balls, wiggle eyes, safety pins

Cut fabric in 2" X 5" lengths. Fold in half and glue 2 or 3 cotton balls inside. Make sure that 1/2 of one of the cotton balls is outside the fabric. Glue around the edges and make sure the cotton ball on top is well glued in place. Trim off excess fabric if necessary. Glue on wiggle eyes and add a safety pin.



BELLYBUTTON BRUSH

Material list: pipe cleaner, 9mm pony beads, safety pins

Take a quarter of a 12" pipe cleaner, fold into an oval, and glue 2 pony beads into the ends. Add a safety pin, and attach the poem. "Belly Button Brush! For those who have everything, and even worth a mint. . .Here's a belly button brush, For all that fuzzy lint!"



BETTER COOKIES THAT WE ROLL OUT

Material list: mini wood paddle and rolling pin, craft foam, red paint, seed beads, pin backs

Decoupage a tag which says "We Roll Out Better Cookies" on a mini wood paddle and let dry. Cut white foam circles for cookies and glue on the paddle. Drizzle red paint and add seed beads. Let dry and glue on a pin back and a miniature rolling pin



BIFFY RULES (Bathroom In Forest For You)

Material list: Card stock, felt, safety pins.

We used a stock graphic for the latrine and added the saying below. Cut white felt into 1/4" X 2" strips, roll up like toilet paper and glue to the card. Add a safety pin. "Don't look down! Always leave it cleaner than you found it!"

Lower the seat when you are done! Close the door so the critters don't get in!"



BIG FOOT

Material list: fake fur, wiggle eyes, safety pins or pin backs.

Choose fake fur for your personal preference, brown or black, short or long hair. Trim fake fur to about 1" X 2" and glue on wiggle eyes. Optional: glue a strip of cardstock to the back for a flat finished look. Attach either a safety pin or a pin back.



BIRTHDAY CARDS

Material list: card stock, colored paper, mini zip loc bags, safety pins.

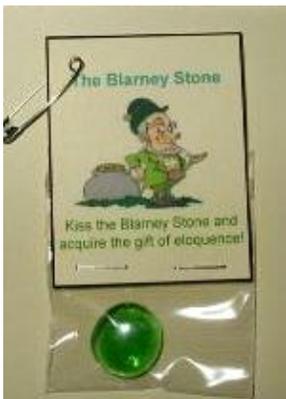
We used a stock graphic to design a miniature Birthday Card which is trimmed to size. (See pattern page for envelope) Cut and glue envelope. Add Birthday Card and insert inside the zip loc bag. Add a safety pin.



BLARNEY STONE

Material list: cardstock, small green glass gems, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the little leprechaun. Add the following saying "Kiss the Blarney Stone and acquire the gift of eloquence!". Place glass gem inside mini zip loc bag and staple to card. Add a safety pin.



BLOW DRYER

Material list: cardstock, balloon, mini zip loc bag, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the little blow dryer. Add the following saying "Inflate one balloon. Slowly release near hair". Place balloon inside mini ziploc bag and staple to card. Add a safety pin.



BOMB POP

Materials list: 6" lengths of red, white and blue pipe cleaner, 3" craft stick, pin backs
Wrap pipe cleaner and glue around craft stick in the following order: blue at the bottom, white in the middle and red at the top. Glue on a pin back.



BOOGER KEEPER

Material list: cardstock, glue, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the little spat. Add the following saying "My Mother always told me, Everything has a place...So I've made this Booger Keeper to keep them off your face! Just open up the tiny bag and place them in with care. Nobody need know you have them.... OR SHOW THEM IF YOU DARE!!!!!!!!!" Fill the bag about 3/4 of the way full with the "boogers". To make "boogers": drop a dab of craft glue on wax paper or regular paper. Let stand for a few minutes to harden up. Roll dollop between fingers and place inside the bag. Staple bag to the card and add a safety pin



BOX OVEN

Material list: 1" wood squares, aluminum foil, pin back

Take a 1" wooden block and cover with aluminum foil. Cut a small piece of paper for the door and cover with foil and tape to the block. Add a picture of a pie or other food to the inside of the oven. Hot glue a pin back on the back.



BRIGHT BUDDIES

Material list: brightly colored straws, 5/8" round wood beads, yarn, pipe cleaners, safety pins

Bend the pipe cleaner in half and insert through the "eye" of a safety pin. Cut 7 pieces of yarn about 4" long. Tightly hold yarn and wrap pipe cleaner tightly around the middle. Twist the pipe cleaner tightly several times. Insert the pipe cleaner into the wooden bead and pull down tightly. Twist several times (for the neck) and fashion twisted arms. Continue twisting until you have about an inch of twisted pipe cleaner body. Slip a one inch piece of colored drinking straw over the body. Spread the legs in a "Y" shape to keep the straw from sliding off (or add just a dab of glue). Bend about 1/4 inch of the ends to make little feet. Lightly draw a face on the bead.



BRIGHT FLOWERS

Material list: pipe cleaners, 1" foam flower shapes, 1/4" foam dots, safety pins

Fold the pipe cleaner in half. Leave a 1/4" loop at the top and twist both pieces of the pipe cleaner down about 1" and fashion 2 leaf shapes. Continue twisting all the way to the end of the pipe cleaner to complete the stem shape. Glue the stem to the flower and the small circle to the center of the flower. Attach a safety pin through the loop at the top. .



BROWNIE SMILE

Material list: Craft foam circles, marker, safety pins

Cut a 1" circle of yellow felt or foam. Cut a second 1" circle of brown felt or foam. You will only use the top and bottom 1/3 of the brown felt for beanie caps. Glue on beanie cap and color on smile and eyes. Attach a safety pin for hanging.



BROWNIES (PLATE OF)

Material list: bingo chips, sponge, brown paint, Qt. zip loc bag, wax paper, pin backs

Prep: Lay out wax paper on a solid surface that will be undisturbed for several days. Cut sponge into 1/2" squares and double bag in quart size ziploc bags. Pour paint over the brownie shapes and mix well. Squeeze and roll around to make sure paint is absorbed. Place on wax paper to dry (48 hours). Glue brownie shapes to bingo chips and add a pin back.



BUBBLE NECKLACE

Material list: film canister, pony beads, plastic gimp, plastic canvas, bubbles, safety pin

Using a re-cycled film canister, hot glue a pony bead onto the top of the canister lid. String a length of lanyard or yarn through the hole in the pony bead for a necklace. Hot glue a strip of plastic canvas on the bottom side of the lid. Fill canister to thirds of the way up with bubble solution. Decorate canisters with stickers or paint and have fun!



BUDDY BURNER

Material list: plastic cap, paint, cardboard, hemp cord, pin back

Start with a plastic soda bottle cap. Paint silver. Cut cardboard (light bulb boxes work well) 1/2" high and roll up. Glue into bottle cap. Glue a short piece of hemp for the wick into center of the roll and drizzle wax over the cardboard. Hot glue pin back on the back.



BUGS ON A MAGNIFYING GLASS

Material list: mini magnifying glass, assorted foam stickers, hemp cord, safety pins.

Knot a 6" length of hemp and glue to the handle of the magnifying glass, leaving the loop at the top.

Optional: wrap a second piece of hemp around the handle for a more finished look. Add foam a foam bug sticker and safety pin.

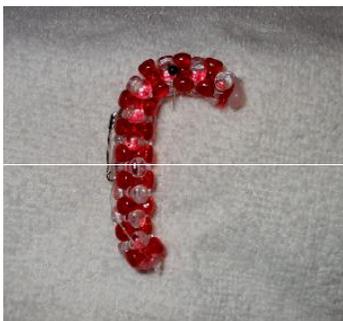


CANDY CANE

Material list: pipe cleaners, tri-beads, pin backs

Alternate red and white tri-beads on a red pipe cleaner. Hot glue ends to keep the beads from falling off.

Bend to shape a candy cane and glue on a pin back.



CANOE

Material list: foam, wood or foam oar shapes, worry dolls, pin backs

Cut canoe shape (see pattern section) and glue up sides. Optional: stitch sides with yarn. Glue oars on side and glue worry dolls inside. Glue pin back.



CANTEEN

Material list: two film canister caps (gray), satin ribbon, pony beads, safety pins

Using two lids from film canisters, glue them together with smooth sides facing out. Cover edges with narrow ribbon glued to sides with extra at the top for the shoulder strap. Glue pompom (or pony bead) on top for lid. Attach a safety pin to the strap



CATERPILLER

Material list: telephone cord, 3/4" pom-poms, silk leaves, wiggle eyes, safety pins

Cut 2" length of telephone cord (Dollar Store). Glue 3/4" pom-pom to one end for the head. Glue on wiggle eyes. Glue to floral leaves (Dollar Store) and add a safety pin. Option 2 w/out leaves. Insert safety pin in the end opposite the head. Be sure to start at least 1/8" from the end. If your safety pin gets stuck take it out and try to insert right next to the same spot (you are inserting in between the actual wires in the cord).



CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE

Materials list: felt or foam, permanent marker or foam dots, safety pins

Cut a 2" circle out of tan felt or foam. Paint on chocolate chips using dark brown paint, or use a permanent marker to make dots or glue on foam dots. Attach a safety pin.



CLOWN

Material list: foam, markers, 5mm pom-poms, safety pins

Cut 1" circles and triangles from fun foam. Decorate face with circles, hearts and triangles as desired. Decorate hat as desired and glue pom-pom on tip. Glue hat to the face and let dry. Attach safety pin.



COCOA PACKET

Material list: cardstock, cocoa, safety pins

See pattern section for the cocoa packet template. We used a stock graphics for the snowmen and added the following saying "Cold Hands! Warm Hearted and a cup of cocoa". Add either cocoa or a small piece of paper towel to the inside of the packet and glue up the sides, bottom and top.



COMET DUST

Material list: cardstock, fish tank rocks, glitter, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the little comet. Add the following saying "Blue, yellow, gold and white. Twinkling lights, glowing bright. Only to be seen at night!". Place rocks and glitter inside mini zip loc bag and staple to card. Add a safety pin.



COMPASS

Material list: foam, marker, pin backs

Cut a 2" circle out of fun foam or use a 35mm film canister cap. Use a permanent marker to mark N, S, E, W and the arrow pointer. Glue on a pin back.



COOLER - COLD DRINK

Material list: bottle caps, ribbon or duct tape, 5 mm pony bead, plastic gimp, safety pins

Glue 2 bottle caps together. Glue plastic gimp on sides of caps to fashion a handle. Wrap duct tape or glue ribbon around middle. Glue pony bead in center for spigot. Add a safety pin through the handle.



COTTON CANDY

Material list: cotton balls, foam, pin backs

Cut a 2-3" circle out of fun foam. Cut it in equal quarters. Each quarter will make one cone. Bend edges of the cone together - hot glue and hold until set. Take a cotton ball (Wal-Mart has them in pink, yellow and purple) and stretch it to resemble cotton candy. Glue into top of cone. Use fingers to make a "peak" in the top of the cotton candy. Glue on pin back.



COUSIN IT

Material list: craft fur, wiggle eyes, foam, safety pins

Cut craft fur about 2" X 3/4". Cut hat shape (see pattern section) out of foam. Glue on wiggle eyes and hat on the fur body. Add safety pin.



COWGIRL

Material list: craft spoon, bandana, foam, doll hair, 9mm pony bead, marker, pin back

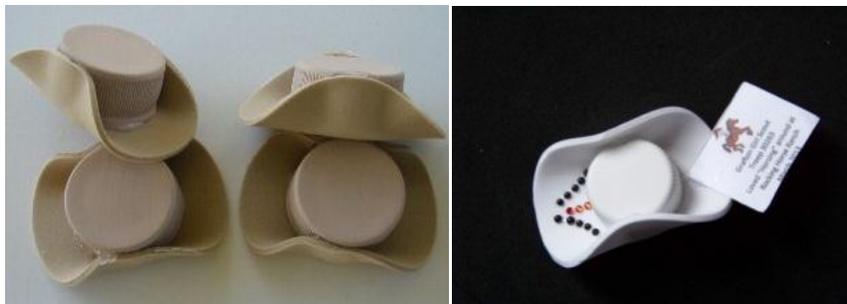
Cut bandana in a 4" square, fold in half, wrap around and glue to craft spoon and insert a pony bead through the ends. Glue on doll hair and cowboy hat shape. Use markers to make face. Glue on pin back.



COWGIRL HAT

Material list: plastic bottle caps, paint, craft foam, safety pins

Paint bottle cap and let dry. Cut matching colored foam in a 3" circle. Score opposite sides of the bottle cap and glue bottle cap in the middle of the foam circle. Fold up sides of foam and glue where you have scored and glue. Hold in place until dry and add a safety pin.



CRAB - METAL BOTTLE CAP VERSION

Material list: metal bottle caps, paint, pipe cleaner, 4mm wiggle eyes, pin backs

Paint inside and outside of a metal bottle cap red. Bend in half but don't close completely. Cut a brown pipe cleaner into fourths. Glue 4 pipe cleaner pieces centered inside the bottle cap and close tightly. Glue on wiggle eyes and a pin

back. I call this one Hermit the Crab!



CRAB SHELL VERSION

Material list: sea shell, 4mm wiggle eyes, paint, pipe cleaners, foam, pin back

Cut an orange pipe cleaner into thirds. Paint a small shell orange. When dry, glue on wiggle eyes. Glue center of pipe cleaners under shell. Bend to form legs. Cut a small claw out of fun foam and glue to one of the front legs. Glue on pin back.



CRAZY HAIR GIRL

Material list: metal pop tops, yarn, wiggle eyes, markers, pin backs or safety pins

Cut 1/2" circle face out of fun foam. Tie yard around the top edge of a metal pop tab. Glue face to pop tab. Glue on wiggle eyes and draw nose and mouth. Glue on pin back or insert safety pin through top edge of pop tab.



CREATE A WORD CANISTER

Material list: film canister, plastic gimp, paper, word beads, safety pins, paper labels

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Place several letter beads inside canister and replace lid. Label as Make a Word and add a safety pin through the loop.



CRYSTAL BALL

Material list: 3/4" wood spools, paint, clear marbles, 2-part epoxy pin backs

Paint wood spool and let dry. Glue the marble (crystal ball) to the wood base using a generous amount of 2-part Epoxy. You can also add a swatch of black suede to make it more "magical"... Allow to dry 24 hours or according to package directions. Hot glue pin back to the base. Optional: add dabs of fabric paint or markers to turn it into a bubble gum machine.



CUP OF MILK

Material list: communion cups, cotton balls, straws, labels, safety pins

The little cups we used are Communion Cups. Cut a full size straw about 2" high. Hot glue the straw against the inside edge of the cup (all the way to the bottom). Hot glue a cotton ball inside. Insert safety pin from front to back (for ease of hanging) of the straw. Add a label with Got Cookies? printed on them



CUPCAKE

Material list: mini cupcake papers, 1" pom-poms, caulk, star confetti, pin backs

Glue pom-pom inside cupcake paper. Frost with caulk and sprinkle with star confetti. Let dry for several days. Glue on a pin back.



DAISY BUTTON PIN

Material list: 7 small white buttons, larger yellow button, pin backs

Use seven white buttons the same size and glue six around one to make a circle. Take a larger yellow and glue to center. Hot glue pin to the back. (you can also add a small loop to this and make it a necklace)



DAISY SMILE

Material list: foam, markers, magnet or safety pins

Cut 3" flower shape (see pattern section) out of fun foam. Glue on a 1" foam circle and mark eyes and face. Insert safety pin or attach magnet.



DIME-ON PIN

Material list: cardstock, plastic dimes (real or fake), safety pins

Add the following saying to your card "I wanted to give you a little jewel to show how special you are to me....Not just rubies or pearls, but a diamond as lovely as the sea. But I wanted the gift to be homemade, so I could fill it with love you see. That's why you're getting a dime-on pin, made with love from me." Glue on dime and add a safety pin.



DINOSAUR

Material list: foam dinosaur shapes, tree shapes, zip loc bags, safety pins

Glue foam or felt tree and dinosaur shapes to a card. Place inside ziploc baggie and add a safety pin.



DNA SAMPLE

Material list: cardstock, slime, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the alien. Add information lines such as: Date, Case #, Description, Location, Agent, etc. Place a small amount of slime for DNA in the ziploc bad, close and staple to card. Add a safety pin.



DOODLE CLOP (ONE EYED)

Material list: foam, 6" length pipe cleaner, 12mm or larger wiggle eyes, safety pins, marker

Cut assorted colors of fun foam in 2" ovals. Glue eye in the middle upper portion of the foam. Mark silly mouth and let dry completely to avoid smears. Wrap pipe cleaner around pencil to form silly hair. Feed the eye of a safety pin through one end of the pipe cleaner and twist closed. Glue the other end of the pipe to the back of the foam shape.



DRAGON FLY

Material list: foam, 12" length pipe cleaner, 1" pom-poms, 7mm wiggle eyes, safety pins

Working down from the top of the pipe cleaner fashion 2 wings. Wrap the remaining pipe cleaner around the wings once. Wrap remaining pipe cleaner around a pencil. Slide off of pencil and slide the very end of the pipe cleaner through the eye of a safety pin and bend tightly (for hanging). Glue the pompom to the top of the pipe cleaner. Glue on 2 wiggle eyes



DREAMSICLE

Material list: craft foam, craft sticks, safety pins

Cut 2 pieces of orange fun foam in the shape of a dreamsicle bar. Glue together with 2 craft sticks (we used the mini craft sticks) in the middle, allowing 1" of the craft stick to show. Add a safety pin.



DRESS-UP GIRL

Material list: foam, craft spoons and picks, doll hair, markers, pin backs

Cut dress shape and fancy hat shape out of foam. Color pockets and buttons. Glue dress to craft spoon. Glue doll hair to craft spoon and add a fancy foam hat shape. Glue craft picks for the arms and legs. Hot glue on a pin back.



DRUM

Material list: striped material, felt, bottle caps, 9mm pony beads, lollypop sticks, pin backs

Glue 2 bottle caps together, open end to open end. Glue felt over the top of one of the bottle caps. Wrap and glue material around the middle of the caps. Push pony bead on lollypop stick (cut in half) and glue to the top of the felt.

Glue a pin back on the side or bottom.



DUNK BAG

Material list: sweater bags, bottle caps, bingo chips, yarn, safety pins

Cut 4" square of netting (Dollar Store sweater bags) or small clear jewel bags. Place plate (poker chip or 1" circle of foam) and cap (bottle cap, wire nut) in the center of the netting. Pull up all sides and twist tightly. Add yarn as close to the top of the cup as possible and tie off. Add safety pin through several layers in the top of the netting. You can also spray paint the items silver to make them more realistic



EAR MUFFS

Material list: pipe cleaner, buttons, pin backs

Cut a 2" chenille stem and glue 2 buttons on the ends. Wrap the chenille stem around a magic marker to make the loop. Glue on a pin back.



EASTER BONNET

Material list: mini straw hats, ribbon, miniature flowers, pin backs

Glue ribbon around a mini straw hat. Glue on a miniature flower. Glue on a pin back.



EGGS IN A BASKET

Material list: miniature woven baskets, pom-poms, 9mm pony beads, safety pins

Glue a 3/4" pom-pom inside a miniature woven basket. Glue beads on top for eggs. Add a safety pin through the handle.



EMERGENCY MONEY IN A BAG

Material list: Cardstock, funny money, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

On a cardstock label add "Emergency Cash, break and tape!" Add fake money in a zip lock bag and staple to the card. Add a safety pin.



EMERGENCY FIRE KIT IN A BOTTLE

Material list: mini plastic bottles with caps, string, craft picks, paint, twigs, safety pins

To make the faux match: Color the tip of a craft picks red (paint or red marker) and let dry. Add several of your matches to the plastic bottle plus several twigs. Tie off a piece of string and put the knotted end in the bottle. Replace cap or cork topper and add a safety pin and a fun tag



EMERGENCY LITTER BAG IN A CANISTER

Material list: film canisters, paper, plastic bags, plastic gimp, safety pins, paper label

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Place a recycled plastic bag inside canister and replace lid. Label as Emergency Litter Bag and add a safety pin through the loop.



FIREWOOD BUNDLE

Material list: twigs, pin backs

Gather 4-5 small twigs and hot glue together. Attach a pin back and viola, a stack of firewood for your next campout.



FIREWORKS

Material list: 2" craft bottles, glitter pipe-cleaners, curling ribbon, pin backs

Cut several pipe cleaners in half and then fold in half. Add several lengths of ribbon, twist at the bottom and glue inside a craft bottle. Bend pipe cleaners outwards and glue on a pin back.



FIRST AID KIT IN A BAGGIE

Material list: paper, laminate, q-tip, sweet tarts, alcohol swabs, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

Place an alcohol swab, Q-tip and 2 sweet tarts in a mini zip lock bag. Write your troop number and color a red cross on a piece of paper. Laminate and staple to the bag. Attach a safety pin.



FIRST AID KIT IN A CANISTER

Material list: film canisters, paper, plastic gimp, bandaid, alcohol swab, cotton ball, safety pin

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Inside the canister place a Band-Aid, alcohol swab and a cotton ball. Label as First Aid Kit. Add a safety pin.



FISHING POLE

Material list: foam fish, string, 5mm pony beads, earring, cane pole, ziploc bags, safety pins

Cut a 5" length of string. Tie a 5mm pony bead in the middle. Tie a fish hook earring on one end of the string and the other end to a 2" length of cane pole. Insert foam fish through the earring and squeeze closed. Add pole to ziploc bag and add a safety pin.



FLASHLIGHT

Material list: golf tees, foam or felt, 9mm pony beads, (also can use a sparkle pompom), pin backs or safety pins

Glue a pony bead(or pom pom) to the top of a colored golf tee to represent the bulb. Glue a small rectangle of either fun foam or felt on the side to represent the switch and glue on a pin back or safety pin.



FLIP FLOP

Material list: foam, fishing line, 5mm pony beads, ribbon, safety pins.

Cut foam into 2" oval shapes, 3 per SWAP. Top layer-String fishing line on a needle and sew 6-7 pony beads per side and tie off. Bottom layer- glue ribbon for hanger. Glue all three layers together and add a safety pin.



FLOWER BOUQUET

Material list: communion cups, foam flowers, buttons, pipe cleaner, safety pins

Cut 2 pipe cleaners in half. Bend each pipe cleaner in half and feed through 2 of the holes in a button. Pull button through so that the pipe cleaner is flush with the front of the button. Feed pipe cleaner through the foam flower and pull so the flower is flush with the back of the button. Bend pipe cleaner down for the stem (this will hold flower and button in place). Your 4th pipe cleaner is the hanger and you will glue this one with the loop at the top. Arrange your 3 button flowers to desired height and arrangement. Add the pipe cleaner hanger (upside down from others) and twist together at the bottom. Trim if needed. Glue arrangement in the vase (cup) and let dry completely. I used hot glue and like the way it looks like water when dry but regular glue will work too (allow drying time). Add safety pin.



FLOWER BOUQUET SPOOL VERSION

Material list: thread or wood spools, miniature silk flowers, pin backs.

Glue several miniature silk flowers in a small spool. Glue on pin back. These turn out beautiful!



FLOWER FACE (MILK CAP)

Material list: milk jug caps, felt, wiggle eyes, pin backs

Glue on wiggle eyes and draw a smile using a paint marker on a plastic milk bottle cap. Cut sun/flower shape out of bright colored felt. Cut 2 leaves/arms out of green felt. Glue the milk cap in the middle of the sun/flower. Glue the 2 leaves/arms and a pin back.



FLOWERS FOR MY FRIEND

Material list: card stock, colored paper, 5mm pom poms, safety pins, markers flower cutouts, small buttons and fake leaves

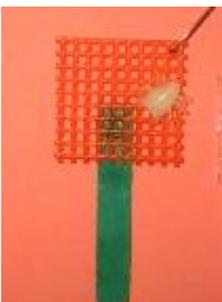
We used a stock graphic for the flower stems. Use a tiny flower punch to create the petals and use a 5mm pom pom for the flower center. Color in the stems and glue the petals and pom pom to the flower. OR stack flower cutouts with glue dots holding them together, place small button in center of flower, glue flower on fake leaf OR glue a flower to a mini clothes pin... Add a safety pin and fun tag



FLYSWATTER

Material list: plastic canvas, wood craft sticks, plastic flies, safety pins

Cut out 1" square fly swatter shape out of plastic canvas. Glue onto wooden craft stick. Attach safety pin through the canvas. May also glue on small plastic fly or other insect.



FOIL DINNER

Materials list: bingo chips, aluminum foil, seed beads, foam, zip loc bags, safety pins

Glue aluminum foil to the top of a bingo chip. Glue foam pieces to resemble beef or chicken on top of foil. Glue seed bead "spices" over meal. Let dry. Fold and wrap foil up and around meal to resemble a foil dinner. Insert in a ziploc bag and add a safety pin. Note: you can skip the bag and simply glue a pin back directly on the back of the bingo chip.



FORTUNE COOKIES

Materials list: craft foam, paper, safety pins

Cut 3" circles out of foam. Fold foam circle in half and put a dab of hot glue at the top edge to hold it together. Insert fortune of your choice. Put your thumb in one end and your middle finger in the other end. Pinch together, using your index finger to push in the center. Put a dab of hot glue where the foam comes together so the cookie keeps its shape. Insert safety pin.



FRANKENSTEIN

Material list: craft foam, 12 mm or larger wiggle eyes, marker, safety pins

Cut a 2" X 3" rectangle out of fun foam. Cut another color fun foam about 1/2" wide with lots of snips in it to look like hair. Glue on hair and wiggle eyes. Mark silly mouth and bolts on the side. Add a safety pin.



FRAZZLED LEADER

Material list: cardstock, marbles, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the frazzled leader. Add the following saying "I've lost my marbles! Have you seen them? Which way did they go?". Place marble inside mini zip loc bag and staple to card OR glue a marble to a laminated tag that says "I still have one left!": OR take a soda tab and loop yarn for hair, add googly eyes and a tag that says "Frazzled Leader" or "Crazy about Use your imagination.... Add a safety pin.



FRIENDSHIP BALL

Material list: cardstock, pom-poms, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphics for the heart with wings. Put a pompom in a small zip lock bag with the following poem either inside or stapled to the baggie. Add a safety pin. "Friendship Ball: A ball is a circle No beginning no end. It keeps us together Like our circle of friends, But the treasure inside for you to see Is the treasure of friendship You've granted me. Today I pass the Friendship Ball to you!"



FRIENDSHIP DUST

Material list: cardstock, glitter, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphics for the bag of dust. Put 1/4" tsp. of glitter in a small ziploc bag with the poem below stapled to the baggie. Add a safety pin. "Friendship Dust When I meet someone new There are things I like to do: I smile wide, I wink my eyes, I spin around, I laugh out loud, I check the clouds, And one more thing, That is a must, I share some Friendship Dust!"



FRIENDSHIP GARDEN (GARDEN OF SEEDS)

Material list: cardstock, seed beads, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the flower. Put 1/4" tsp. of seed beads in a small zip lock bag with the poem below stapled to the baggie. Add a safety pin. "Friends are like the flowers in the garden of life. A Friendship will grow when you plant these seeds. Water and nurture each day and you will find, Special friends are flowers in the garden of life."



FRIENDSHIP NOTEBOOK

Material list: craft foam, assorted foam stickers, safety pins

Cut a 3" X 2-1/2" of fun foam. Cut several pieces of notebook paper 2-1/2" X 2". Fold fun foam and paper in half and staple together like a notebook. Decorate with various flowers or hearts. Attach a safety pin for hanging



FRIENDSHIP (GOLDEN THREADS)

Material list: craft foam, cardstock, glitter, safety pins

Cut a 3" X 2-1/2" of fun foam. Print the saying below on cardstock and glue on the foam. Glue gold glitter all around the edges. Hang from gold yarn or thread. "Thank you for the laughter, for the good times we share. Thank you for always listening, for trying to be fair. Thank you for the shoulder to cry on when I am sad. Thank you for the comfort, when things are going bad. Thank you for being there, your company I relish. Thank you for being you, your friendship I cherish!"



FRIENDSHIP RING

Material list: cardstock, friendship rings(you can make them or buy them), safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the butterfly. Add the saying below. Insert a safety pin through a friendship ring and then through the card. "Wear it on your finger. Wear it on your toe. Wear it as a token of our friendship unspoken. Forever Friends"



FRIENDSHIP SEEDS OF

Material list: cardstock, seed beads, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

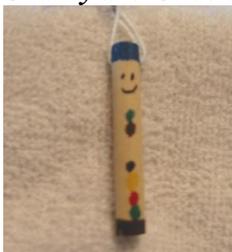
We used a stock graphic for the flower. Put 1/4" tsp. of seed beads in a small zip lock bag with the poem below stapled to the baggie. Add a safety pin. "Within this special package, There's everything one needs, To grow a Friendship Garden, Sow the seeds of Friendship, And watch a Friendship Grow!."



FRIENDSHIP STICK

Material list: 1/8" dowel sticks, assorted markers, string or ribbon

Cut a 1/8" dowel stick cut into 2-3" lengths or use Popsicle stick. Drill a small hole for string to hang a safety pin or use pin back. Use markers for the following symbolism. Front of Stick: • GREEN CAP = For Girl Scout • YELLOW HAIR = Sunlight • BLUE EYE = For all light-eyed people of the world • BROWN EYE = For all dark-eyed people of the world • THE CROSS • GREEN = Represents Hope and Friendship • WHITE, BROWN, YELLOW, RED = Represents the four races of the world new friends • BLACK BELT = Duty to your =country • ORANGE = Represents faith in your religion, yourself, your fellowman, your Girl Scout Promise and Law Back of Stick: • SPLIT HEART Gold for old friends and Silver for new friends • BLUE = Charity and Understanding (When made in green wood -the living symbol of friendship)



FROG- FOAM VERSION

Material list: craft foam, foam stickers, wiggle eyes, safety pins

Cut the following pieces out of fun foam: oblong circle for head, circle for body, 2 small circles for eyes, 2 sock shape for feet and 2 hands. Glue all pieces as above and attach wiggly eyes. Glue on a pre-cut dragon fly or butterfly. Attach safety pin.



FROG –JUMPING IN CANISTER

Material list: clear 35mm film canisters, plastic frogs, frog fabric, plastic gimp, safety pins

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Place plastic frog and copy of the Brownie Frog Song inside and replace lid. Glue trimmed frog fabric on the outside (scratch surface before you glue to give the glue a good surface to adhere to) and add a safety pin through the loop. "Brownie Frog Song: (to the tune of the Brownie Smile Song) I have something in my pocket, That I found behind a log. My Leader said to let it loose, But I want to keep my frog. It's cool and green and slimy, And it squiggles in my hand, I also have a wooly worm, and a pocket full of sand."



FROG POND

Material list: 2" craft bottles, glitter, silk leaves, metal frogs, cane pole, string, safety pins

Add green glitter, pieces of silk leaves, bamboo shoots or cane poles, metal frogs and any other green daubes you have on hand to a craft bottle. Fashion a hanger from string and add a safety pin.



FROG SHELL VERSION

Material list: walnut shells, green paint, pipe-cleaner, wiggle eyes, pom-poms, safety pins

Start with an empty walnut shell half for the body. Paint it green (I also sprayed it with a clear shiny sealer). Thread a safety pin to the center of a two bump section of green chenille bumps. Glue the bumps to the bottom of the shell, then up the sides. Bend in the middle of each thick part to form the "knee" of the frog leg, then bend the end out to make a foot. Hot glue to secure, holding while the glue sets. Hot glue two pieces of chenille stem from under the shell, sticking out in front to make front legs. On the face (pointed) end of the shell, glue two green 10 mm pompoms. Glue a 7 mm wiggle eye to each pompom.



FROG SEEDS

Material list: card stock, 5mm green beads, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the little frog and added the poem below. Put several beads in a ziploc bag and close. Staple to the card and add a safety pin. "Plant these frog seeds to grow your own handsome prince. These are super easy to grow but you must plant loads. Kiss after kiss most will stay old green toads."



FRYING PAN (EGGS)

Material list: metal caps, paint, felt or foam, safety pins

Paint a metal soda pop cap and a soda pop top black. When dry hot glue the pop-top to the bottom of the pop cap. Cut and glue circle of white felt inside the pop cap. Paint a yellow yolk. Attach a safety pin.



FRYING PAN (EGGS VERSION 2)

Material list: film canister lids, paint, pipe cleaner, safety pins

Paint eggs using white and yellow paint onto the canister top. Cut a black pipe cleaner in half and then fold in half. Twist and fashion into a handle, glue on the bottom of the lid. Insert safety pin through handle.



FRYING PAN (SAUSAGE AND EGGS)

Material list: metal caps, paint, pipe cleaner, safety pins

Paint the bottom and top of a metal bottle cap using black paint. Let dry. Paint small white circle inside of the cap (this will be your eggs). Let dry. Place a little drop of yellow paint inside the white circle (this will be your yolk). Let dry. Paint 2 red strips opposite the eggs (this will be your sausage). Bend 3" black pipe cleaner in half and twist together. Fashion a handle and hot glue the bottom of the cap. Insert safety pin through handle.



FUZZY POM POM BUDDIES

Material list: 1" sparkle pom poms, wiggle eyes, pin backs

Glue wiggle eyes or happy face bead to a 1" pom-pom. Glue on a pin back.



GHOST GOO

Material list: cardstock, slime, mini zip loc bags, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the ghost. Place a small amount of slime for ghost goo in the zip loc bag, close and staple to card. Add a safety pin.



GIRLS HANGING OUT

Material list: pipe cleaners, 10 mm wood beads, assorted markers, safety pins

Cut pipe cleaner in half. Open safety pin and insert wood ball, close and make three of these. Add a dab of glue to the bead (so it will stay in place) and color the face. Feed the pipe cleaner through the eye of the safety pins and fashion pipe cleaner into a hanger shape. Add a safety pin.



GIRLS CAP

Material list: craft foam, 1" pom-pom, pin backs

Make a circle the size of the pom-pom extending one end to make the hat and bill out of fun foam. Glue on 1" glitter or standard pom-pom and a pin back.



GIRL SCOUT PROMISE SWAP

Material list: craft foam, hand punchies (or trace your own), cardstock, safety pins or magnet

Make a card with the Girl Scout Promise. Fold the thumb and pinkie fingers down to make the promise sign with your hand punchie and glue on the card. Cut craft foam slightly larger than your card and glue on card. Add a safety pin or magnet. Long lasting and very functional! This is a great craft when teaching the Girl Scout Sign and Promise.



GIRL SCOUT RECORD (OR FOR ANY "MUSIC" EVENT)

Material list: bingo chips, paper or round stickers, pin backs or safety pins

Cut a circle of paper to fit the inside of a black poker chip (Or use round stickers). Write "Make New Friends" or "Scout House Rock" OR any other saying that you may think of and draw a dot in the center. Glue in the center poker chip. Hot glue a soda pop top on the back, attach a string and hang from a safety pin or glue a pin back to the back.



GIRL SCOUT STAMP

Material list: craft foam, stationary, pearl trim, girl scout stamps, zip lock bags, safety pins

Cut glove shape (can be full size or mini depending on how you want it) and glue pearl trim at the wrist. Cut matching paper stationary and mini envelope. Cut and glue envelope. Insert Girl Scout stamps inside the envelope. Glue the glove to the top of the stationary and the envelope to the bottom. (this looks very nice as a shadow box picture) Insert inside the zip loc bag. Add a safety pin.



GIRL SCOUT OR ANY PERSON “SMILE” BUCKET HAT

Material list: craft foam, permanent marker, safety pins

Cut hat shape and 1" circles out of craft foam. Glue the little hat to the circle and mark in eyes and a smile. Add a safety pin.



GIRL SCOUT UNIFORM TAB

Material list: felt, glitter paint or glue, safety pins

Cut your age level color in felt in about 2" X ½" strips. Cut V shape at the bottom. Fold the top over a safety pin and glue (a cloths pin holds this together very well while drying). The KEY to this SWAP is to glue the tab to the stationary side of the safety pin. Use silver and gold glitter paint or glue for pins.



GLASS GEMS

Material list: 1-1/2" glass gems (fish tank supplies), paper, mod podge, pin backs

Print out images as desired. Trim to about 1-1/2" and use the mod podge to glue the image (image side up) to the flat side of the marble. Cover the image with mod podge and let dry well. Your image will show through the glass gem. Glue on a pin back or a magnet.



GREEN BLOOD

Material list: 2" craft bottles, green paint or glue, paper or adhesive labels, string, safety pins

Fill 2" craft bottle with green paint or glue and pour out all excess. Let dry completely. Add a string hanger and replace lid. Add a label with the words "Girl Scout Green Blood" Add a safety pin. (for a variation you could do Vampire Red Blood... or Monster Blue Blood...



GREEN BLOOD VERSION 2 (GIRL SCOUTS)

Material list: 1-1/2 craft bottles, green glitter, card stock, ribbon, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the Girl Scout Sign and added the poem below. Put 1/4" tsp. of green glitter in the small craft bottle and glue to the card. Add a safety pin. "Feeling a little tired and blue? Without a smile upon your face are the signs when I can tell. Here is a little bit of green blood to get you happy, smiling and laughing again. This is what I wish for you!" Alternate: Use a zip loc bag with green glitter in place of bottle and staple to the card.



GREEN EGGS AND HAM

Material list: metal caps, green and white paint, green and black pipe cleaner, safety pins

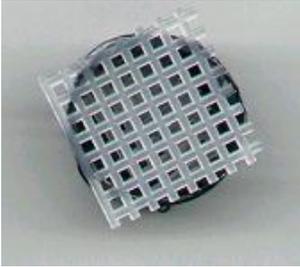
Paint the bottom and top of a metal bottle cap using black paint. Let dry. Paint small white circle inside of the cap (this will be your eggs). Let dry. Place a little drop of green paint inside the white circle (this will be your yolk). Let dry. Roll up a 1" length of pipe cleaner and glue inside the cap (this will be your ham). Bend 3" black pipe cleaner in half and twist together. Fashion a handle and hot glue the bottom of the cap. Insert safety pin through handle.



GRILL

Material list: bottle caps, plastic canvas, paint, pin backs

Paint a plastic soda bottle cap black. Glue on a 1" square of clear plastic canvas. Glue on pin back. Optional- glue a folded piece of tin foil to represent a foil packet dinner or molded pieces of clay for hot dogs and hamburgers.



HAND FLAPPER

Material list: hand foamies, craft sticks, pin backs

Glue one hand foamie to the front and one hand foamie to the back of the stick and let dry. Glue on a pin back.



HANDWASHING STATION

Material list: bubble blower, plastic gimp, colored toothpick, safety pins

Use a mini bubble-blower bottle for the hanging water jug. Using plastic lanyard (gimp) and a piece of colored toothpick, fashion a handle and a spigot to represent the golf tee you use on your real hand washing stations. Add a safety pin.



HAT PROTECTOR IN A CANISTER

Material list: film canisters, plastic gimp, shower caps, paper or adhesive labels, safety pins

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Place a shower cap inside canister and replace lid. Label as Emergency Hat Protector and add a safety pin through the loop.



HAND WASHING STATION (CANISTER)

Material list: clear film canisters, hemp, felt, colored toothpick, safety pins

Use a clear 35mm film canister. Poke a fancy toothpick through the front for the spigot (use a small knife to make this opening). Cut 1/2" X 3" piece of white felt and roll with a 6" length of hemp in the middle (this will be your paper towel roll). Tie off hemp leaving a 1-1/2" loop at the top. Loop another 6" length of hemp through the paper towel loop, knot and glue to the inside of the canister lid leaving a 4" loop for hanging. Pull the hanging loop up and around the lid and replace lid on canister. Add safety pin to hanging loop.



HEART BUDDY

Material list: foam, 12mm or larger wiggle eyes, 3" lengths pipe cleaner, markers, pin backs

Cut heart shape out of fun foam (see pattern section). Glue on eyes and make smile. Glue 2 hands and 2 feet to the back using the pipe cleaner. Glue on a pin back.



HERMIE THE WORMIE

Material list: green pipe cleaner, wiggle eyes, fake leaves, pencil, safety pins

Roll pipe cleaner around pencil to form a spring add googly eyes and glue "worm" onto fake leaf ... add pin. You can also make pompom bugs like the lady bug



HOBO BAG

Material list: sticks, bandana, cotton balls, pin backs

Take a small square of bandanna fabric and stuff with a cotton ball or other light material. Tie edges together to make a small bundle. Tie this onto a small stick and glue on pin back



HOBO STEW

Material list: plastic bottle caps, paint, pipe cleaner, beads, plastic canvas, safety pins

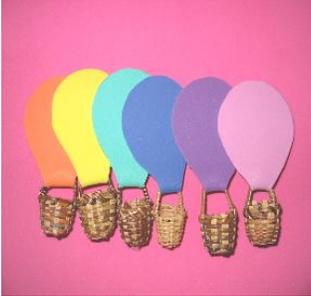
Paint bottle caps black and let dry. Cut clear plastic canvas in 1" squares. Cut pipe cleaner into 3" length, fashion into a handle and glue inside cap. Glue and cover the handle with pony beads.. Glue plastic canvas to the bottom of the cap for the grill and add a safety pin through the handle or grill..



HOT AIR BALLOON

Material list: craft foam, mini baskets, safety pins

Cut craft foam into hot air balloon shape with a 1" long tail. Fold tail around basket handle and either staple or glue. Decorate with sequins or markers and add a safety pin.



HOT CHOCOLATE

Material list: film canisters, pipe cleaners, seed beads, cotton balls, craft foam, safety pins

Take an empty film canister (or smaller cap to make it a mini cup) and cut about 1/2" off the top. Poke two holes in the side of the canister and put in a piece of black pipe cleaner for a handle, twisting the ends inside the canister. Glue cotton balls inside canister. Cut a circle of tan fun foam to fit into canister. Glue around edges and set in canister. Glue white "E" beads on top of fun foam for marshmallows. Add a safety pin through the handle.



HULA GIRL

Material list: craft spoons, doll hair, yarn, pipe cleaner, craft foam, markers, pin backs

Mark 2 eyes and a mouth on the craft spoon. Cut about 12" of doll hair and fold over several times. Glue to wood body and allow to dry. Fluff and trim hair as needed. Fashion arms from a piece of pipe cleaner and glue to the back of body and let dry completely. Coconut shells are tan craft foam punched 1/4" circles, glue on coconut shells. Sea 4" pieces of yarn and one 2" piece of pipe cleaner are needed for the grass skirt. Fold yarn in half and tie a simple larks head knot around the pipe cleaner belt. Repeat until you have 5 pieces tied on the pipe cleaner and glue to the front of the body. Wrap excess belt around the back. Glue on a pin back.



HULA DANCING GIRL

Material list: pipe cleaner, yarn, plastic leis, 5/8" wood beads, safety pins

Fold pipe cleaner into 1/3's. Cut off 1/3 only and set aside. Fold remaining 2/3 in half and feed the eye of a safety pin to the top of the half. Add 7 pieces of yarn at the top of the pipe cleaner and twist tight. Now twist down about 1/2" and feed the wood bead and continue twisting to about 1" from the bottom where you will shape the legs and feet. Shape arms from the 1/3 piece that you set aside earlier and twist in place.



HUMPTY DUMPTY

Material list: foam, wiggle eyes, 3" lengths pips cleaner, miniature bows, marker, pin back

Cut 3" oval using white fun foam. Cut a second oval of the same size with yellow fun foam. Cut yellow fun foam in half and cut a v notch on each piece for the collar. Glue the yellow foam on top of the white and also glue a bow

just below the collar. Glue on wiggle eyes and make a smile. Glue arms, legs and a pin back to the back.



I LOVE YOU (SIGN LANGUAGE)

Material list: craft foam, hand punchies, safety pins

Cut 2" heart from craft foam. Glue middle and ring finger down on hand to create the universal I Love You in sign language symbol. Glue hand to heart and add a safety pin. (this can be made full size also)



ICE BUCKET COLD DRINKS

Material list: plastic bottle caps, plastic gimp, clear fish tank rocks, safety pins

We used a stock graphics for the "Cold Drinks Here" sign and the drinks (reduced in size and the drinks glued on poster paper to make firmer). Glue the cold drinks sign to the bottle cap. Make a 2" loop with the gimp and glue the open ends in the bottle of the cap. Fill and glue in rocks. Glue in miniature drinks. Add a safety pin through the gimp.



ICE CREAM (COTTON BALL VERSION)

Material list: craft foam, cotton balls, glitter paint or glue, safety pins

Cut ice cream cone shape out of fun foam. Glue cotton balls to cone and fluff. Draw "waffle" design on cone with glitter paint or markers. Attach safety pin.



ICE CREAM SANDWICH

Material list: craft foam, model magic, pin backs

Cut two 1" circles from brown foam sheets using scalloped scissors. Punch a couple of holes in each. Use a small ball of white Crayola Model Magic (dries spongy) and press between two foam circles. Add a dab of tacky glue to hold top and bottom. Attach pin back and paint design on top of cookie.



ICE CREAM SANDWICH VERSION 2

Material list: craft foam, string, caulk, fabric paint, safety pins.

Place 1" dollops of caulk on wax paper to dry (will take several days). In the meantime, cut 1" tan circles of craft foam and add drops of brown fabric paint for chocolate chips, let dry. Make hangers using string and glue to caulk.

Glue the caulk to a top and a bottom cookie and add a safety pin.



ICE CREAM SANDWICH VERSION 3

Material list: craft foam, string, caulk, pen or pencil, safety pins.

Place 1" oblong dollops of caulk on wax paper to dry (will take several days). In the meantime, cut 1" brown oblong squares of brown craft foam and add use a pen or pencil to push little air holes across the surface and make line across the center. Make hangers using string and glue to caulk. Glue the caulk to a top and a bottom cookie and add a safety pin.



ICE CREAM SUNDAE

Material list: plastic bottle caps, caulk, (or cotton ball) brown and white puff paint, red pony bead pin backs

Fill bottle cap about 3/4" full with caulk while making a ice cream ball shape.(cotton ball is a quicker version) Practice on a napkin first. Let dry for several days. Drizzle brown paint and let dry several more days. Glue a pin back to the bottom of the cap (can add a red seed bead to make a cherry)



ICE SKATES

Material list: plastic canvas, yarn, paper clips, safety pins

Cut broad "L" shapes out of plastic canvas. Whip stitch edges with yarn around the skate. Add paper clips to bottom for blades, whip stitching around canvas and paper clip edge to hold. Attach safety pin for hanging. These make a great gift at Christmas



JACKS

Material list: 3/4" pom poms, silver tri-beads, mini zip loc bags, card stock, safety pins

We used stock graphics to create a ball and jacks. Add one pom pom and 5 tribeads to the zip loc bag. Staple to the card and add a safety pin.



JULIETTE LOW IN A FRAME

Material list: 35mm plastic or foam slide frames, graphics, pin backs or safety pins

Use an on-line image of Juliette to print a 1" square image. Glue on the back or either a 35mm plastic or foam slide mount. Add a pin back on the plastic frame or a safety pin on the foam mount.



JULIETTE LOW OVAL

Material list: craft foam, graphics, glitter, safety pins

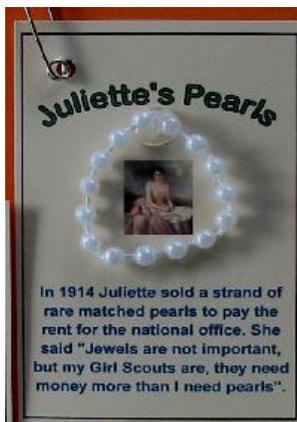
Use an on-line image of Juliette to print a 1" oval image. Cut a 2" oval shape out of craft foam. Glue image to the front of the foam and glue glitter in your desired pattern. Add a safety pin.



JULIETTES PEARLS

Material list: miniature pearl strands, card stock, safety pins

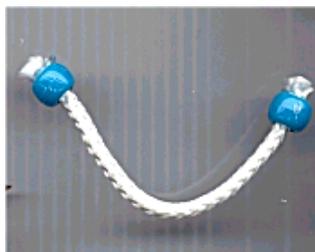
We used an on-line image of Juliette to print a 1/2" square image. Glue a miniature strand of pearls around the picture. Add the saying below. Add a safety pin. "In 1914 Juliette sold a strand of rare matched pearls to pay the rent for the national office. She said "Jewels are not important, but my Girl Scouts are, they need money more than I need pearls".



JUMP ROPE

Material list: 1/4" dia. rope or cord, 9mm pony beads, safety pins

Take a 4" length of cording and feed through the eye of a safety pin. Glue a pony bead at either end. Hang from safety pin.



KAPER CHART

Material list: plastic file folders, permanent marker, miniature clothes pins, safety pins

Cut a rectangle out of a plastic file folder, then trim off the top edges. Using a permanent marker, draw in lines and different duties for outdoor kapers. Then write "names" on mini clothespins and glued them on the chart. Punch a hole in the top and hang from a safety pin. (this can be made larger for functionality)



KITE

Material list: craft foam, craft picks, ribbon, safety pins

Cut 1-1/2" kite (see pattern page). Glue curling ribbon to back and curl when dry. Glue craft picks on the front of the kite, one diagonal and one horizontal. Add a safety pin.



KNIFE SAFETY

Material list: craft foam, file folders, paper fasteners, floss, safety pins

Cut the knife handles (2 identical) out of fun foam and the blade out of a plastic file folder. Punch holes in both ends of the knife handles with a paper punch. Punch a hole in one end of the knife blade. Put that end of the knife in between the handle pieces - hold together with a brass paper fastener. Tie a length of embroidery floss around a safety pin and hang from the other end of the knife, attaching with another brass fastener. Knife blade should open and shut.



KNOTS IN A BAG

Material list: cardstock, rope or cord, mini zip lock baggies, safety pins

We used stock graphics to create 6 different knots. Add the card plus (2) 6" lengths of cord or rope to a mini zip lock bag and add a safety pin. This is a great SWAP for a Knots Learning activity



LADY BUG PIN/MAGNET

Material list: Faster Plaster, paint, plastic spoons, pin backs

Using "Faster Plaster" (brand name), follow package directions and mix up a small amount of plaster. Pour into plastic spoon as a mold. Allow to dry. Take plaster out of spoon, paint and decorate as desired to form ladybugs. Glue on pin or magnet back. You can create any kind of BUG with this... use your imagination



LADY BUG WISHES

Material list: ladybug buttons, cardstock, safety pins

Create a card with the saying below. Glue on a ladybug button (flat back) and add a safety pin. "Sending luck and wishes, All things wrapped in a hug, Good things will come your way, With this tiny ladybug!"



LANTERN

Material list: 3/4" wheel and button, white sparkle pom-poms, ribbon, safety pins

Use two 3/4" wooden shapes, the wheel and "button". Glue a 3/4" white sparkle pompom in between the two wooden pieces. Glue the ends of a 3" length of ribbon under the wooden button and up the sides for the handle.

Attach a safety pin



LANYARD CRAFT

Material list: lanyard hook, plastic gimp, assorted beads and charms

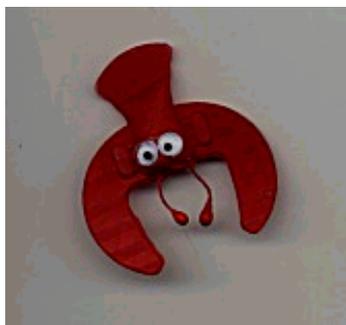
This SWAP is perfect for younger girls that cannot quite master making knotted lanyards. Cut plastic gimp in 12" lengths and fold in half. Feed through lanyard hook with the hook at the top. Feed beads and charms as desired through the plastic gimp and tie off several times at the end. What a great zipper pull this will make.



LARRY THE LOBSTER

Material list: Kool Aid Bursts tops, wiggle eyes, flower stamens, pin backs

This swap uses the plastic tops from the "Kool Aid" Bursts brand of kid's drinks. Paint the top red with acrylic paint, paint 2 flower stamens red and glue onto front of lobster. Glue on wiggle eyes and pin back.



LATRINE BUCKET

Material list: film canisters, straws, pipe cleaners, cloth, plastic gimp, safety pins

Cut a film canister in half and punch a hole on both sides. Insert a 4" piece of plastic gimp in both holds (ends at the bottom of the canister), this will be your handle. Add glue and lay a 1" X 2" piece of cloth directly over the gimp. Let dry. Cut a piece of drinking straw approximately 2" long. Cut a 4" piece of pipe cleaner, fold it in half and form end to resemble brush, glue ends inside straw. Glue the brush inside the bucket and add a safety pin through the plastic gimp handle.



LEADER CLIPBOARD (MINI CLIPBOARD)

Material list: pressboard, Girl Scout stamp or image, small binder clips, pin backs

Cut recycled pressboard into 2" X 1 1/4" rectangles. Cut 2" X 1 1/2" post it notes in half. Attach to pressboard with small binder clip and decorate. Attach pin back.



LIFE JACKET

Material list: craft foam, safety pins

Cut a flat "vest" shape (see pattern section) out of orange fun foam. Use a pen to outline the front opening of the vest. Cut a strip of white fun foam for belt and glue on. Add event or camp name in black marker. Hang from safety pin



LICENSE PLATE

Material list: online license plate images, laminate, safety pins

Use an on-line license plate maker (there are several) and laminate. Add a safety pin. These can also be used to play the “what license plate from what state you saw on a trip”



LOLLIPOP CLOTHE VERSION

Material list: bright fabric, lollipop sticks, cotton balls, pin backs

Cut a 4” circle of your favorite scrap material. Place 3 cotton balls (squish them together) in the center. Place a bit of glue in the center of the cotton balls and push a lollipop stick in the glue. While holding the stick straight up draw the material up around the cotton balls to form a ball. Tie off tightly with a bread tie or piece of wire. Glue excess material around the stick pulling in a circular motion. Glue on a pin back.



LOLLIPOP PIPE CLEANER VERSION

Material list: pipe cleaners, lollipop sticks, ribbon, safety pins

Cut 2 pipe cleaners in half and twist together. Swirl them into a circle. Add glue to the back to help it hold its shape. Glue a lollipop stick to the back. Add ribbon for hanging and one for a bow



LOVE POTION #9

Material list: 1-1/2 craft bottles, blue glitter, card stock, ribbon, safety pins

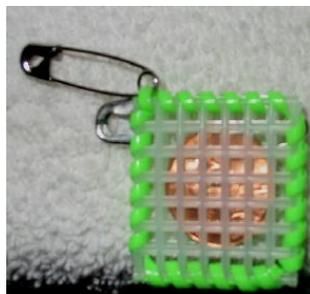
We used a stock graphic for the Girl Scouts and added the saying below. Put 1/4" tsp. of blue glitter in the small craft bottle and glue to the card. Add a safety pin. "Be a sister to every Girl Scout." Alternate: Use a zip loc bag with blue glitter in place of bottle and staple to the card.



LUCKY PENNY

Material list: plastic canvas, plastic gimp, pennies, safety pins

Cut 2 ea 1" squares of plastic canvas. Start lacing 20" length of plastic gimp at any corner. Leave the first 3 to 4 loops loose. Feed starting end back through loops and pull tight. Continue lacing and at 3rd corner feed plastic lace through eye of safety pin. Place a "lucky penny" in between the canvas and finish lacing. Leave last 3 to 4 loops loose and feed ending piece back through and pull tight.



MAGIC BAG OF TRICKS

Material list: mini top hats, rabbit punch outs, glitter, craft picks, mini zip lock bags, safety pins

Color a craft pick black except for both ends for the magic wand. Add glitter, rabbit punchouts, plastic top hat, and magic wand to a zip lock baggie and add a safety pin.



MAGIC BEAN STALK

Material list: beans, card stock, mini zip lock baggies, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the little bean and added the poem below. Put 2 or 3 beans in a zip lock baggie and staple to the card. Add a safety pin. "To grow a Magic Beanstalk: Make a wish as you plant. When morning arrives, you may have a surprise"



MAGIC FAIRY DUST

Material list: 1-1/2 craft bottles, green glitter, card stock, ribbon, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the Fairy and added the saying below. Put 1/4" tsp. of green glitter in the small craft bottle and glue to the card. Add a safety pin. "Take a sparkling of Fairy Dust, add a dash of love and care. Add a sentiment or two, a thoughtful wish or line, a little touch of kindness, a gift so truly rare. Mix them all together. It's a recipe for a Girl Scout Troop (or whatever group you are associated with), unique and truly fair." Alternate: Use a zip loc bag with green glitter in place of bottle and staple to the card.



MAGIC WAND

Material list: craft foam, lollipop sticks, curling ribbon, pin backs

Cut 1-1/2" star shapes out of assorted colors of craft foam. Tie several 3" lengths of curling ribbon at the top of the stick. Glue the stick to the back of the star taking care to glue the curling ribbon also. Either glue a pin back or insert a safety pin. Curl the curling ribbon. These can be made full size as a great Princess Birthday Party favor



MAKE NEW FRIENDS CARD

Material list: glitter paint or hot glue, card stock, safety pins

We preprinted 2 overlapping circles on card stock and added the Make New Friends song below. Trace the circles with gold and silver glitter paint or glue. Add a safety pin. "Make new friends but keep the old, one is SILVER and the other is GOLD"



MAKE NEW FRIENDS CARD VERSION 2

Material list: gold and silver fake wedding rings or hot glue, card stock, safety pins

We glued one silver and one gold ring over lapping on card stock and added the Make New Friends song below. Add a safety pin. "Make new friends but keep the old, one is SILVER and the other is GOLD"... To make it more stable you can glue to cardstock to a piece of felt then add your pin...



MAKE NEW FRIENDS HEART

Material list: craft foam, glitter paint or glue, safety pins

Cut a heart shape out of fun foam. Use silver and gold glitter paint and make overlapping circles (2). Use glitter pin to write "Make New Friends". Draw a silver and gold border using glitter paint. Attach a safety pin



MARACA

Material list: film canisters, electrical tape, craft sticks, pin backs

Cut a straight line in the lid of a film canister (you can also use old medicine bottles) and insert a craft stick. Add a dab of glue inside the lid to keep the stick in place. Wrap assorted electrical tape around the film canister. Add a few beans and glue the lid back on the canister. Add a pin back.



MARSHMALLOW ON A FORK

Material list: mini foam marshmallow shapes, bobby pins, safety pins

Twist the bobby pin and bend into a fork shape. Add a dab of glue to both ends. Insert forks into marshmallow shape and allow to dry. Add a safety pin. You can also use white caulking, just drop a dollop of it onto fork end and let dry or a small white pom pom.... Many options for this one.



MARSHMALLOW ON A STICK

Material list: craft picks, 9mm white pony beads, pin backs

Glue a 9mm white pony bead on a stick (twigs would work well also). Glue on pin back. You can also use a small white pom pom or a dollop of caulking for this.



MADI GRAS CELEBRATION IN A BAG

Material list: Mardi Gras beads and doubloons, mini zip lock bags, safety pins

Add several strands of Mardi Gras beads and a doubloon in a zip lock bag. Add a Mardi Gras Celebration tag and a safety pin.



MEMORIES NOTEBOOK

Material list: copy paper, card stock, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the tent, fire, chair and other camping items (or any themed event you want to remember) . Make a cover and a back. Add several pages for autographs and staple at the side. Add a safety pin.



MELTED SNOWMAN

Material list: caulk, sticks, wiggle eyes, plastic top hats, wax paper, craft foam, safety pins

Squeeze about 1" diameter of caulk on wax paper and build up to about 1/2" high. Push sticks on either side and twirl to cover edges well with caulk. Let dry for several days. Cut 2" squares or circles of craft foam for the base. Once caulk is dry glue to foam base. Glue on wiggle eyes, plastic top hat and carrot nose. Add safety pin. You can also omit the base and just add the pin to make it more compact.



MEMORY GAME IN A CANISTER

Material list: Film canisters, plastic gimp, card stock, paper or adhesive labels, safety pins

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. We used a stock graphics of tents, chairs, ants, etc. printed 2 of each. (you can "theme" this to whatever event you are doing) Place 2 of each picture inside canister and replace lid. Label as Memory Game (you can add the event name in the label) and add a safety pin through the loop.



MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE

Material list: 2" craft bottles, paper, string, safety pins

Place a message scroll tied off with string in a 2" craft bottle (be creative as far as your message....). Add a string hanger and replace lid. Add a safety pin.



MILKSHAKE

Material list: Communion cups, 1-1/2" pom-poms, caulk, red seed beads, plastic straws, safety pins

Cut a full size straw about 2" high. Hot glue the straw against the inside edge of the cup (all the way to the bottom). Hot glue a pom-pom inside. Add a dab of caulk on top of the pom-pom for whipped cream and place a red seed bead on top for a cherry and let dry for several days. Insert safety pin from front to back (for ease of hanging) of the straw or use a stick on pin. You can make numerous "flavors" by varying the pom pom color.



MINIATURE SWAP HAT

Material list: miniature straw hats, assortment of foam, fabric, wire, plastic canvas, pin backs

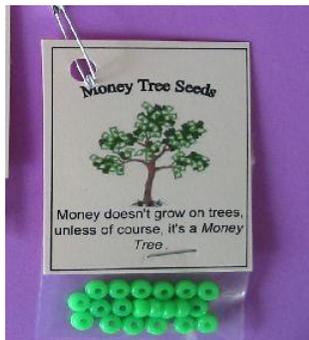
We made tiny miniatures of the following swaps; Bandana with 5mm bead, fly swatter with plastic canvas and a wire handle, eraser daisys, smile bead, bedroll, taco, s'mores and belly button brush. We glued them to the miniature straw hat and added a pin back. Use your imagination on miniaturizing any swap you want.



MONEY TREE SEED

Material list: 5mm green pony beads, card stock, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the money tree and added the saying below. Add several 5mm pony beads to a zip lock bag and staple to the card. Add a safety pin. "Money doesn't grow on trees, unless of course, it's a Money Tree"



MOUSE FOAM

Material list: craft foam, yarn, 5mm black and pink pom-poms, safety pins

Cut gray craft foam in the shape of a heart (see pattern section). Cut down the middle and glue 6" length of gray yarn for the tail. Cut 1/4" oval out of craft foam for the ear. Glue on black pom-pom for eye, pink pom-pom for nose and the foam ear. Add a safety pin.



NAME TAG

Material list: glow in the dark stars, marker, pin backs

We used the glow in the dark stars but precut wood pieces or foam stars or any other solid shape will work also. Write name and troop number. Attach a pin back. This is a great item at any large campout; your child will never lose their SWAPS hat. Never let your child wear the name tag except at only events you are aware of (SafetyPrecaution). These can be used for any child event.



NACHOS

Material list: bingo chips, craft foam, fabric paint, pin backs

Cut several triangles out of tan craft foam and glue to the bingo chip. Drizzle yellow fabric paint all over the top and let dry. Add a pin back.



NIGHT EYES

Material list: Black and green Craft foam, 12 mm or larger wiggle eyes, safety pins

Cut a 2" X 3" rectangle out of black fun foam. Cut green fun foam about 1/2" wide with lots of snips in it to look like grass. Glue on grass and wiggle eyes. Add a safety pin.



OSCAR THE GROUCH

Material list: film canister, 1-1/2" green pom poms, small wiggle eyes, pin backs

Glue the lid of a film canister to the side of the top. Glue a large green pompom onto the lid and in the can. Add wiggle eyes. Hot glue a pin to the back of film canister.



OUT HOUSE RULES

Material list: Formica sample boards, mod podge, cardstock, ribbon, rope, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the outhouse and added the saying below. Decoupage the card to the Formica sample and let dry. Add ribbon for hanging and add a safety pin. Glue rope on the side. "Notice to all! If Ye bottom falls through Ye seat DO NOT call the proprietor. Use Ye rope to pull Ye self out!"



PADDLE BALL

Material list: wood craft spoons, yarn, 3/4" pom poms, pin backs, markers, stapler

Glue yarn to pom-pom. Hint- use just a dab of glue and pinch pom-pom around yarn until dry. This will make it look like the yarn is inside the pom-pom ball. Staple the other end of the yarn to the top of the paddle. Add a dab of glue so it will never slide off. Decorate paddle as desired. Glue on pin back and let dry.



PALM LEAF FAN

Material list: paper, 3" wood craft sticks, craft foam, brown yarn, pin backs

Cut craft foam in the shape of a heart (see pattern section). Glue a craft stick to the front of the leaf and one on the back to form a handle. Trim and glue Chinese characters (stock graphics printed on paper) to the front of the leaf. Lay yarn up the handle starting at the bottom and leave about an inch extra. Start wrapping yarn down the handle and tie off the end. Glue on a pin back.



PANCAKES BUTTER AND MAPLE SYRUP

Material list: craft foam, light brown fabric paint, poker chips, pin backs

Cut 1" circles out of tan craft foam. Glue 3 circles to a poker chip and top with fabric paint. Add a square of yellow craft foam for the butter while the paint is wet. Hot glue a pin back.



PANCAKE – CHOCOLATE

Material list: craft foam, dark brown fabric paint, poker chips, pin backs

Cut 1" circles out of tan craft foam. Glue 3 circles to a poker chip and top with fabric paint. Add strips of brown foam for the chocolate while the paint is wet. Hot glue a pin back.



PANNING FOR GOLD

Material list: metal caps, black paint, gold glitter, pin backs

Paint both sides of the metal cap and let dry. Glue in gold glitter or fabric paint and add a pin back.



PICNIC BASKET

Material list: miniature woven baskets, hand towel, watermelon and ant foamies, safety pins

Glue a 1" X 2" strip of hand towel in a miniature woven basket and add a watermelon and an ant foamie. Add a safety pin through the handle of the basket.



PICNIC TABLE CLOTHE

Material list: checker fabric, watermelon and ant foamies, laminate, safety pins

Laminate 2" X 2" squares of checker fabric or stiffen with fabric stiffener. A Dollar Store checkered tablecloth would be perfect too. Add a watermelon and ant foamie. Add a safety pin.



PIECE OF THE PUZZLE

Material list: cardstock, puzzle pieces, safety pins

Add 2 pieces of puzzle pieces to cardstock with the saying below. Add a safety pin. "WE are like the pieces in a puzzle. TOGETHER, WE make a Beautiful Picture!"



PIE – AUNT BESSIE’S BLUEBERRY PIE

Material list: miniature pizza board, bottle cap, paint, mod podge, felt, pin backs

Create a cardstock tag "Aunt Bessie's Blueberry pie" and mod podge (decoupage) to the board. Paint a plastic bottle cap silver and let dry. Fill with blue glitter paint or glue and let dry. Glue thin strips of felt across the top. Glue cap to board and add a pin back.



PIG PIN

Material list: plastic bottle caps, paint, felt, wiggle eyes, pin backs

Paint the lid from a 3-liter bottle bright pink. Cut ears out of fun foam, fold them over and glue onto sides of bottle cap. Cut nose out of fun foam; draw on nostrils and glue onto center of face. Draw on a smile and glue on wiggle eyes. Glue on pin back



PILLOW

Material list: plastic canvas, cotton balls, bright fabric, safety pins

Cut fabric into 4" squares. Glue a cotton ball to a 1" square of plastic canvas. Glue fabric over cotton ball and wrap around. Finish bottom as you would wrap a present and insert a safety pin through the corner of the pillow.



PIN CUSHION

Material list: plastic bottle cap, cotton balls, fabric, pin backs

You need a bottle cap, small piece of fabric, and stuffing, hot glue. Place stuffing in the middle of fabric and gather ends, place hot glue inside of bottle cap and place the filled fabric in the bottle cap. Decorate as you would like and add pins and a pin back.



PIRATE WITH HAT

Material list: craft foam, silver glitter, paper, marker, safety pins

Cut a 1" tan circle and a 1" black hat (see pattern section) using craft foam. Use a stock graphics to create the skull & crossbows, print on paper and glue to the hat. Decorate hat with silver glitter and glue. Draw one eye, patch and a smile on the circle. Glue the hat on the pirate face. Add a safety pin.



PINE CONE OWL/BIRD

Material list: pine cones, paint, feathers, wiggle eyes, pin backs

The Owls are made from the individual pieces of a pine cone. Start with one large and dry pine cone (one that is completely open). Starting at the base, simply cut off the individual pieces with scissors. Using a hot glue gun, glue one feather to the "back" of the pine cone piece along with a small pin back. Set aside to cool. On the front, hot glue 2 eyes (5mm) just below the feather at the top of the head. Let cool. Finally, using yellow paint, dab a small amount of paint on the "Beak" and two small "feet" at the bottom. Let dry. The part I like best about these owls is that when you look at them, they each have their own personality, given the differences in "bodies", feathers and eyes!



PIRATE TREASURE MAP IN A CANISTER

Material list: film canisters, plastic gimp, card stock, paper or adhesive labels, safety pins

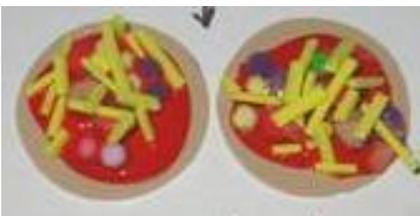
Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. We found a treasure map in our graphics program. We used fancy food picks for swords (snip the ends if too high). Place map, mini treasure chest, food pick inside canister and replace lid. Label as Pirates and add a safety pin through the loop.



PIZZA

Material list: craft foam, fabric paint, seed beads , safety pins

Cut 1" tan circles from craft foam. Drizzle red fabric paint across the top. Let dry completely. Glue seed beads, a few bits of assorted colored shapes craft foam and short, thin strips of yellow craft foam and let dry completely. Add a safety pin.



POODLE SKIRT

Material list: stiffened felt, craft foam, poodle punchout, marker, safety pins

Cut a 2" poodle skirt shape. Glue 1/8" strip of black craft foam for a belt across the top and a poodle punch out at the bottom. Draw leash with a marker or ink pen.



POM POM PALS

Material list: 2" pom poms, 1/2-3/4" plastic hats, 10 mm wiggle eyes, craft foam, safety pins

Cut a 2" circle from craft foam (or a poker chip) and glue on a 2" pom pom. Glue on wiggle eyes and a top hat. Add a safety pin or pin back.



POPCORN IN A BUCKET

Material list: packing peanuts, plastic bottle caps, glue, yellow food coloring, marker, pin backs

Cut packing peanuts into 1/4" squares and glue into the bottom of bottle cap. Mix glue and yellow food coloring. Drizzle over the top and let dry. Use a red marker to draw lines up the side of the cap. Attach a pin back.



POPCORN JIFFY POP VERSION

Material list: plastic bottle cap, pipe cleaner, cotton balls, aluminum foil, safety pins

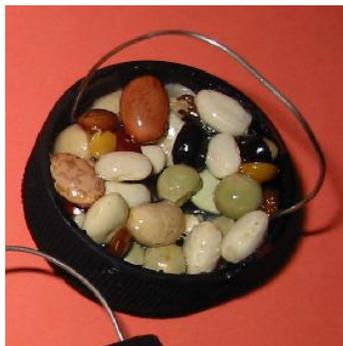
Wrap aluminum foil around bottle cap and glue in place. Cut pipe cleaner in half and fold in half or use a paperclip and glue to bottom). Glue the pipe cleaner inside the bottle cap and fashion your handle. Wrap aluminum foil around the cotton ball and glue inside the bottle cap (or use chopped up packing peanuts and yellow marker to make an open pan of popcorn). Insert safety pin through the handle.



POT OF BEANS

Material list: plastic bottle caps, paint, beans or fish tank rocks, wire, safety pins

Spray paint black plastic bottle cap and let dry. Use wire to make a handle and glue in the bottom. Glue “beans” into pot and attach a safety pin



POT OF GOLD WITH RAINBOW

Material list: plastic bottle caps, paint, gold glitter, variety of colored pipe cleaner, pin backs

Paint bottle cap black and let dry. Glue several 2-3" lengths of bright colored pipe cleaner inside the bottle cap. Glue gold glitter inside the cap or use gold glitter paint. Glue on pin back.



POWDER PUFF DERBY

Materials list: small plastic baggy, small plastic car, powder puff derby badge, small racing flag, ribbon, pin.

Place the plastic car, badge, racing flag, and ribbon in the plastic bag, zip bag closed and place the pin through the bag



PRETTY GIRLS FANCY HAT

Material list: craft foam, fancy trim, glitter, sequins, safety pins

Cut 1" hat out of craft foam. Glue on fancy trim or glitter and sequins. Add a safety pin.



PRETTY GIRLS FANCY PURSE

Material list: craft foam, pipe cleaner, fancy trim, glitter, sequins, safety pins

Cut 2 ea. 1" purse shapes out of craft foam. Glue on fancy trim or glitter and sequins. Fashion a handle out of pipe cleaner or pearl trim. Glue handle to bottom purse shape and glue the other purse shape on the top. Add a safety pin through the handle.



PRETTY GIRLS RED HAT

Material list: red craft foam, fancy trim, glitter, sequins, safety pins

Cut 1" hat and purse shapes out of craft foam. Glue on fancy trim or glitter and sequins. Glue hat and purse together and add a safety pin. Great for a Red Hat function



PRINCESS IN A BOTTLE

Material list: 10mm wood beads, pipe cleaner, 2" craft bottles, string, safety pins

Cut a pipe cleaner in fourths and bend in half. Cut a 1/2 inch length to use as arms. Stick the ends of the pipe cleaner through the hole of the bead. Pull the pipe cleaner just so that bead stays on. Put the "arm" piece of pipe cleaner between the two ends coming through the bead and twist tightly. Twist the pipe cleaner down to the legs and bend out. Insert your princess in the craft bottle and fashion a hanger from string. Add a safety pin.



PRINCESS HAT

Material list: craft foam, netting, sequins, glitter, pin backs

Cut a circle out of fun foam. Cut circle in half, then into fourths. Each circle makes 4 hats. The larger your circle, the larger the hats will be so you can make it to fit a real head... a dolls head or just a small swap pin. Using glue gun, glue sides of triangle together, putting a piece of netting at the top. Hold together until set. Decorate with sequins, glitter, etc. Glue on pin back. This can be made full size for a "Princess" themed party



PRINCESS WITH HAT

Material list: 1/2" wood beads, craft foam, doll hair, string, safety pins

Cut a circle out of fun foam. Cut circle in half, then into fourths. Each circle makes 4 hats. The larger your circle, the larger the hats will be. Using glue gun, glue sides of triangle together, putting a piece of string for hanging at the top. Hold together until set. Decorate with sequins, glitter, etc. Glue doll hair to bead and then glue hat over that. Use a marker to draw eyes and smile on bead. Add a safety pin.



PRINCESS MIRROR

Material list: colored craft spoons, faux mirrors or foil, feather trim, craft foam, pin backs

Glue feather trim and craft foam shapes (flowers, hearts, etc.) to a craft spoon. Glue a faux mirror to the shape or a piece of foil cut to shape and add a pin back.



PUMPKIN SNOT

Material list: cardstock, mini zip loc bag, slime, safety pins

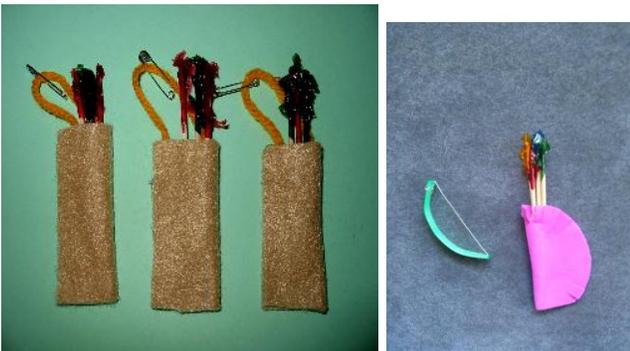
Use a stock graphics for the miniature pumpkin and add the following saying. "This poor little pumpkin gave into rot, now all that's left is nasty pumpkin snot!" Add slime in a mini zip lock baggie and staple to the card. Add a safety pin.



QUIVER OF ARROWS/BOW

Material list: felt, yarn, frilled toothpicks, craft foam, wire, plastic (we used margarine container) safety pins

Cut felt into 3 X 4" squares. Fold in half and glue a 4" length (looped) length of yarn plus the toothpicks inside. Glue around edges. Add a safety pin. Can do alternative by cutting a foam circle and glue together and cut a flat bottom and fringe edges. And make the bow out of a piece plastic cut in a strip slice a tab at each end and put a piece of thin wire and twist and bow the plastic and twist other end of wire tight to keep plastic bowed.



RABBIT IN CANISTER

Material list: fabric, bendable rabbit, film canister, pin backs

Glue eggs or spring fabric around the film canister. Fold up and glue the bottom and fold over the top and glue. Hot glue a rabbit inside the canister and add a pin back.



“RECYCLE”

Material list: recycled pop tops, milk jugs, cardboard, safety pins

This is an example of a Recycle Theme SWAP. This SWAP has a square of cardboard with the word “recycle” on it, a circle of plastic from a milk jug and a soda pop top held together by a safety pin.



REINDEER

Material list: cardboard, puzzle pieces, glitter, wiggle eyes, pom-poms, pin backs

Cut a 1" oval of cardboard. Glue two puzzle pieces to the back of your oval shape. Paint entire thing brown on the front. Allow to dry. Dab a little glue onto top of puzzle pieces and sprinkle glitter. Add wiggle eyes and pom-pom nose. Glue on a pin back.



RICE BOWL

Material list: plastic bottle cap, rice, tacky glue, toothpicks, pin backs

Take a plastic bottle cap and fill with rice mixed with tacky glue. Add a toothpick broken in half for chopsticks. Glue on pin back.



ROBIN HOOD HAT

Material list: craft foam, pipe cleaner, feather, safety pins

Cut 1" hat out of craft foam. Glue on a feather and 2" piece of pipe cleaner. Wrap and glue excess pipe cleaner on the back of the hat. Add a safety pin.



ROCK COLLECTION

Material list: craft foam, cardstock, fish tank rocks, safety pins

Cut craft foam in 2" X 3" rectangles. Make a label as My Rock Collection with cardstock. Glue on 6-8 rocks and let dry. Use a regular pen to label each rock (use a squiggle line) and glue on a card stock label. Add a safety pin.



ROOTBEER FLOAT OR ANY FLAVOR YOU LIKE

Material list: communion cups, brown, white and red pom-poms, pin backs

Glue in 1" brown pompom or rolled brown chenille bump into a communion cup. Top with white pompom for ice cream and smaller red pompom or red seed bead for cherry. You can also fill with clear seed beads (make an ice cube look) and fill with clear glue (tint if you want it to be orange soda, brown for coke etc....) we found "lemon and lime" erasers that worked as a garnish Glue on pin back



ROOTBEER FLOAT VERSION 2

Material list: miniature plastic mugs, brown pom-pom, caulk, coffee stirrer, pin backs

Run a thin line of caulk up the front of the cup and let dry for several days. Glue a coffee stirrer opposite the caulk line. Glue in a brown pom-pom and add a caulk ball at the top of the line previously made. Let dry for several days. Glue on a pin back.



SAFETY PIN CHARMS

Material list: coil-less safety pins, assorted charms and beads

Add an assortment of charms and beads to fit your theme to a coil-less safety pin. Be sure to open the safety pin and slide charms to the non opening side of the safety pin. You can add a fun tag with theme or event information. This is so easy and so versatile.... You can do this for most ANY event, holiday or theme



SAND BUCKET – BOTTLE CAP VERSION

Material list: plastic bottle caps, cotton balls, sand, plastic gimp, craft foam, safety pin

Paint bottle cap and let dry. Glue a 3" length of plastic gimp looped for a handle in the bottom of the bottle cap. Glue in a cotton ball and glue sand on top. Fashion a shovel out of craft foam and glue on top. Add a safety pin.



SAND BUCKET – CORK VERSION

Material list: craft corks, paint, plastic gimp, sand, safety pins.

Paint cork desired color and let dry. Glue plastic gimp to either side to make a handle (we poked 2 holes in the top and glued handle into the holes so it was hidden by sand). Glue sand over the top and add a safety pin.



SANDWICH IN A BAGGIE

Material list: craft foam in white, tan yellow, mini plastic zip lock bags, safety pins

Cut white fun foam 1" squares to resemble a piece of bread. Cut 1 yellow and 1 light tan felt square just a shade larger. Stack like a sandwich and glue. Place in a mini zip lock bag and add a safety pin. You could use purple and tan for a peanut butter and jelly sandwich



SANDWICH AND CHIPS

Material list: craft foam, aluminum foil, bingo chips, pin backs

Cut white fun foam 1" squares to resemble a piece of bread. Cut 1 yellow and 1 light tan felt square just a shade larger. Stack like a sandwich and glue. Wrap with aluminum foil and glue. Glue sandwich to bingo chip and add several miniature triangles to resemble chips. Glue on a pin back.



SEWING KIT IN A CANISTER

Material list: Film canisters, plastic gimp, card stock, paper or adhesive labels, safety pins and various sewing supplies

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Place needle, thread, safety pins and buttons inside canister and replace lid. Label as Emergency Sewing Kit and add a safety pin through the loop.



SEWING KIT IN A THIMBLE

Material list: plastic thimbles, felt, safety pin, button, sewing needle, safety pins

Hot glue safety pin, sewing needles, button and felt inside of a plastic thimble. We recommend using a low temp hot glue gun for this one. Attach a safety pin for hanging. These can also be made as an ornament for your favorite seamstress.



SHOOTING STAR

Material list: craft foam, clear glitter paint, silver and or gold pipe cleaner, pin backs

Cut craft foam in 2" star shapes (see pattern section). Paint with clear glitter paint. Glue several 3" lengths of silver or gold pipe cleaner to the back. Bend as desired and glue on a pin back.



SIGNS

Material list: miniature wood signs (we used mini crafts sticks), paint, letter beads, wire, safety pins

Drill two holes for wire, Paint wood signs desired color. Glue on letter beads (S'mores, Camp, Latrine, Girl Scouts, Cook, Campfire, names...anything you want to say can be put on a sign... etc.). Add wire, Add a safety pin. These can be made larger with wooden letters....



SILLY FACE FLOWERS

Material list: craft foam, wiggle eyes, paint marker, pin backs

Using pre-cut fun foam flower shapes glue on wiggle eyes, and a small fun foam circle for nose. Use a paint marker to draw mouth and glue on a pin back.



SILLY FACE

Material list: craft foam, wiggle eyes, pom-poms, safety pins

Cut 1-1/2" circle out of fun foam. Glue on wiggle eyes and small pompom for nose. Use marker to draw a mouth and attach a safety pin.



SINGING IN THE RAIN

Material list: 3" wood craft spoons, craft foam, doll hair, markers, pin backs

Cut craft foam in a 3" oval and a 1" circle. Cut the 1" circle in half for the hat. Make a small slit about 1" from the top of the 3" oval, insert craft spoon through this slit. Fold top of foam over and glue down to the back of the spoon. Cut about 12" of doll hair and fold over several times. Glue to wood body and allow to dry completely. Fluff and trim hair as needed. Glue on hat. Mark eyes and face. Add a safety pin



SIT UPON

Material list: plastic tablecloth, yarn, safety pins

Cut 1" squares of table cloth material. Stitch with yarn. Attach safety pin. This can be made much larger for a true sit upon in the same way using a larger size piece of plastic stuffed with paper or fabric and the stitched together.



SMILE PINS

Material list: plastic bottle caps, paint, marker, craft foam, pin backs

Cut circles out of fun foam using decorative edge scissors. Paint plastic tops from soda bottles the color you desire. Glue bottle cap onto fun foam backing. Draw face with permanent marker. Glue on pin back.



S'MORES – BIG STYLE

Material list: marshmallow shapes, craft foam, cork squares, pin backs

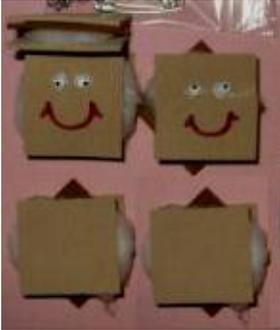
Cut a large foamie marshmallow in half. Cut cork squares (or tan craft foam) and brown craft foam in 1-1/2" squares. Glue brown foam to cork (or tan foam) and glue the marshmallow shape on top. Glue a pin back on the bottom



S'MORES FOAM/FELT STYLE WITH FACE

Material list: craft foam or felt in tan and brown, cotton balls, wiggle eyes, marker, safety pins

Cut 2-1" square pieces of tan foam/felt (graham cracker), 1" square piece of brown foam/felt (chocolate bar) and stretch out cotton ball a bit. Glue in the following order tan, brown, white cotton ball and tan. Glue on wiggle eyes and draw a big grin with a red permanent marker. Add a safety pin.



S'MORES WITH ARMS AND LEGS

Material list: craft foam, brown pipe cleaners, wiggle eyes, ribbon, safety pins

Cut 2-1" square pieces of tan foam (graham cracker), 1" square piece of brown foam (chocolate bar) and 1" square piece of white fun foam (marshmallow) or use a cotton ball. Also cut 4 ea 2" lengths of brown pipe cleaner. Bend ends of pipe cleaner to resemble ball hands and feet. Glue in the following order tan, 4" length of ribbon -looped- for hanging, arms and legs, brown, white and tan. Glue on wiggle eyes and draw a big grin with a red permanent marker. Add a safety pin.



S'MORES PIE

Material list: tan craft foam, 5mm pony beads, brown hot glue, metal bottle tops, pin backs

Fill metal bottle cap 2/3 full with brown hot glue (a very thick paint will work also). Add several small squares of tan craft foam (for graham crackers) and white 5 mm pony beads (for the marshmallows) and let dry. Add a pin back.



S'MORES KIT

Material list: paper, craft foam, lollipop sticks ,pony beads ,aluminum foil, mini bags, safety pins

Candy Bar : use a stock graphics to create a candy bar wrapper. Cut and fold 2" chocolate bar wrapper. Fold tin foil to fit inside with ends showing and tape closed. Marshmallow on a stick : push the end of a 9mm white pony bead on a lollipop stick (cut or snapped in half). Graham cracker: cut 2 ea 1/2" pieces of tan foam or felt. Place all ingredients in a zip loc bag and add a safety pin.



S'MORES SANTA

Material list: tan & brown craft foam, white fake fur, marshmallow foamies, wiggle eyes, mini Santa hats, pin backs

Cut 1" squares of tan and brown craft foam. Glue the brown foam to the tan foam and then the marshmallow foamie on top. Glue mini Santa hat on the top of the marshmallow. Glue white craft fur to the marshmallow and trim into a beard shape. Glue on wiggle eyes and a pin back.



S'MORES SNOWMAN

Material list: tan and brown craft foam, marshmallow foamies, mini plastic top hats, marker, pin backs

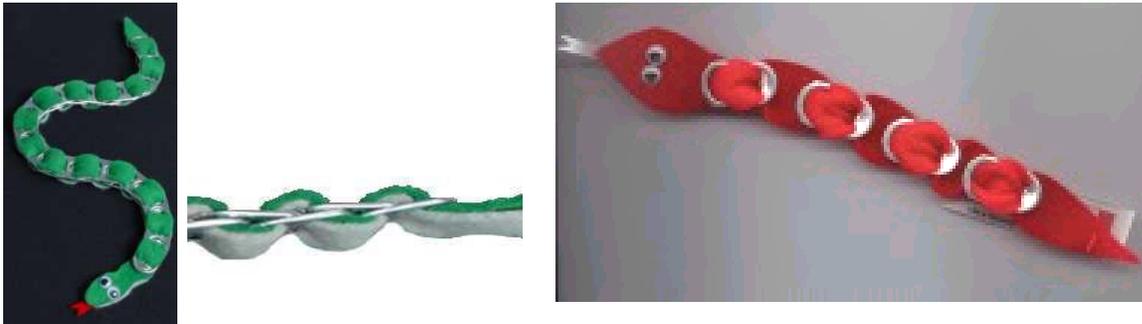
Cut 1" squares of tan and brown craft foam. Glue the brown foam to the tan foam and then the marshmallow foamie on top. Glue mini top hat on the top of the marshmallow. Use marker to make eyes, smile and 3 buttons down the front. Glue a pin back.



SNAKE

Material list: felt, metal pop-tops, wiggle eyes, safety pins

Cut a snake shape out of felt. Using recycled pop-tops from aluminum cans, weave four pop-tops (or more for a longer snake) onto felt as shown. Cut tongue out of curling ribbon and glue onto felt. Glue on wiggle eyes. Hang from safety pin.



SOAP AND WASH RAG

Material list: cloth, craft foam, safety pins

Cut 2" squares of cloth. Fold in half and glue. Fold in half again and glue. Cut craft foam in the shape of soap and glue on the washrag. Attach safety pin.



SNYPE HUNTER KIT

Material list: craft picks, fabric, cardstock, mini zip lock bags, marker, safety pins

Use cardstock to create a card "Master Snype Hunter": Cut fabric to 3/4" X 1-1/2" and glue up sides. For the Snype Hunting Stick (to scare them out of the underlying brush): Break craft picks in half and color brown (or use twigs). For the miniature Snype: Use a stock graphics and trim to about 1/2". Place all in a mini zip lock baggie and staple to the card. Add a safety pin.



SOCK HOP, DISCO, ROCK AND ROLL PARTY

Material list: plastic bottle poker chip, large tag, appliques, felt safety pins

There are many ways to celebrate a disco, rock and roll party or a sock hop with poodle skirt... check out a few of our special crafts that we put together for ours



we even had help from www.wackybuttons.com to create some pins for events



SPANISH HAT

Material list: plastic bottle caps, paint, craft foam, yarn, fabric paint, pony beads, safety pins

Paint bottle caps black and let dry. Cut black craft foam in a 3" circle and glue the bottle cap in the middle. Punch 1/8" holes on either side of the cap and feed yarn up around and down. Add a point bead to the yarn and double knot. Add drops of red fabric paint or hot glue around the rim. Add a safety pin. Use different colors and yarns for a sombrero hat too.



SPICE LEMONADE IN A CANISTER

Material list: clear film canisters, colored cotton balls, markers, safety pins

Punch a 1/4" hole towards the top of the film canister (this will be the back). Glue in 2 colored cotton balls. Write Spiced Lemonade (or your choice of drink) on the canister. Insert safety pin through hole in back.



SPIDER

Material list: black pipecleaners, 9mm pony beads, marker, safety pins

Cut 1 black pipe cleaner into 4 even pieces. Thread all at the same time through a white pony bead (9mm) to half way the length. It will be a tight fit but it really will make it through, bend the black ones to form legs. Using black marker make 2 dots on bead for spider eyes and draw a smile. Add safety pin.



SPIDER VERSION 2

Material list: plastic bottle cap, pipe cleaners, pom-poms, wiggle eyes, yarn, safety pins

Drill 6 holes on the sides and 1 hole in the top of a plastic soda bottle cap. Tie a button to a length of string and feed free end through the top of the lid and attach a safety pin for hanging. Push 3" pipe cleaner pieces through the holes in the sides for spider legs. Glue on pom-pom for the head and wiggle eyes.



SPONGE BOB

Material list: yellow sponge, craft foam, pipe cleaner, 7mm wiggle eyes, pin backs

Cut sponge 1" X 1-1/2" and brown craft foam about 1-1/2" X 1" for the pants. Glue the craft foam to the bottom of the sponge (trim excess later) and let dry. Trim sides and bottom of pants and cut a V at the bottom. Glue on wiggle eyes and mouth. Glue arms, legs made from pipe cleaners, glue pin back to the back.



SPOOL BUDDY

Material list: mini spools of thread, yarn, wiggle eyes, fabric paint, pin backs

Cut yarn into 6" lengths (12 per spool). Tie the yarn at the bottom. Place some glue inside the spool and push the knotted end of the yarn in. Let dry. Trim to desired length. Glue on wiggle eyes and paint on a mouth. Glue a pin back.



SPY THUMBPRINT MAGNIFYING GLASS

Material list: Mini magnifying glass, card stock, gimp cord, safety pins.

Use a stock graphics to create a mini booklet with several blank pages for "Clues" and hole punch a 1/8" hole. Knot a 6" length of gimp and glue to the handle of the magnifying glass, leaving the loop at the top. Optional" wrap a second piece of gimp around the handle for a more finished look. Loop a third piece of gimp through the booklet and the hanger, tie off. Add a safety pin.



SQUARE KNOT

Material list: pipe cleaners, safety pins

Make a square knot using two 2" pieces of different colored pipe cleaner. Or use 2 ea 3" pieces of unused cotton (#32) mop head or rope. Attach a safety pin.



SQUARE KNOT VERSION 2

Material list: weaving strips, bells, safety pins

Tie square knots out of weaving material; attach a bell and safety pin.



STAR

Material list: craft foam, wiggle eyes, string, safety pins

Cut foam into 2" star shapes (see patterns section). Glue on wiggle eyes. Punch a 1/8" hole at the top and use for string hanger. Add safety pin.



STARRY NIGHT

Material list: black cardstock, star confetti, glitter, mini zip lock bags, safety pins

Use a stock graphics for the stars image and add the saying below. Add star confetti and glitter to the baggie and staple to the card. Add a safety pin. "When the golden sun is sinking, And your mind from cares is free, When others you are thinking, Will you sometimes think of me?"



STARS

Material list: glow in the dark shapes, ribbon, safety pins

Glue ribbon to glow in the dark star shapes and add a safety pin.



STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

Material list: bingo chips, lite yellow sponge, red fabric paint, pony beads, pin backs

Glue a 1/2" square of yellow sponge to the bingo chip. Drizzle red fabric paint or red hot glue over the top and add 2 each 9mm red pony beads. Let dry completely. Glue a pin back on the bottom.



SURVIVOR KIT IN A CANISTER

Material list: film canisters, plastic gimp, card stock, paper or adhesive labels, safety pins add personal safety items

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Place bandana, foam compass, string, felt blanket, aluminum sheet, plastic sheet inside canister and replace lid. Label as Survivor Kit and add a safety pin through the loop.



SWEETEST CARD DECK

Material list: cardstock, miniature playing cards, safety pins.

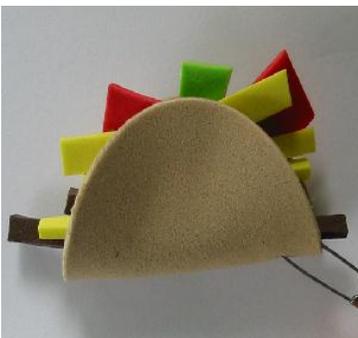
Use a stock graphics for the butterfly and add the saying below. Add a miniature playing card with ice cream dishes on the face. Add a safety pin. "Chocolate Kisses and Ice Cream Wishes! Ice Cream is YUMMY in every way, and adds to your SWEETNESS every day!"



TACO

Material list: craft foam (yellow, brown, green, red,) safety pins

Cut 3" circles out of tan craft foam. Cut craft foam in thin strips: yellow (cheese), brown (beef), and green (lettuce). Cut red foam into squares (tomato). Fold circle in half and glue all ingredients inside. Hold together while it dries. Add a safety pin.



TALKING STICK

Material list: 3" craft sticks, yarn, 9mm pony beads, pin backs, markers

Cut yarn in 2 ea 12" lengths. Tie to the craft stick so that you end up with 4 ends. Feed 3-4 pony beads on each of the yarn ends and tie off. Glue on a pin back and write "Talking Stick" on the front. You can make a real "talking stick" by using a dowel or larger piece of wood.



TEA PACKETS

Material list: cardstock, tea, safety pins

Use a stock graphics for the tea party or theme and added the following saying "It's Tea Time". Add either tea or a small piece of paper towel to the inside of the packet and glue up the sides, bottom and top. Add a safety pin.



TAMBOURINE

Material list: film canister lids, ribbon, jingle bells, craft foam, upholstery needle, pin backs

Thread needle with 12" piece of ribbon. With a "basting" type stitch, bring needle up from bottom of lid and push the needle through to inside of lid (leave a couple of inches of ribbon for streamer at base). Push needle 1/5 of the way around the lid, thread on bell, and push the needle back inside of lid. Repeat 5 times. Bring ribbon ends together and tie in knot. Glue on a tri bead or other bead to hold. Trim ends of streamers. Cut out fun foam shape to cover lid. Write on your troop #, event name, etc. Glue foam to cover lid - glue on pin back.



TEDDY BEAR

Material list: teddy bear foamies, heart foamies, marker, pin backs

Use a black marker to draw eyes, nose and mouth on a pre-cut foam teddy bear. Write troop number or message on a pre-cut heart and glue to the bear. Glue on a pin back. These are great little Valentine's Day Crafts



TEDDY BEAR WITH VEST

Material list: craft foam, felt, wiggle eyes, bar pins

Cut teddy bear shape out of tan craft foam and vest shape out of felt . Glue assorted components on for your own age level. Glue wiggle eyes and draw nose, mouth, ears, and paws. Glue on pin back.



TENNIS RACKET

Material list: craft foam, plastic canvas, pom pom, pin backs

Cut a tennis racquet shape out of fun foam. Cut out oval in center. Cut a little larger oval than this opening out of plastic canvas. Glue plastic canvas on underside of racquet. Glue a pompom tennis ball onto the canvas. Add pin back.



TENT

Material list: craft foam, plastic canvas, safety pins

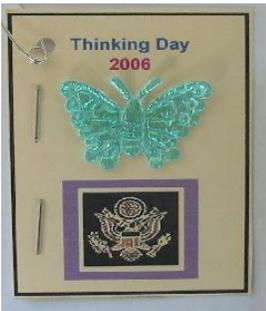
Cut a 2" triangle and a 1" triangle out of craft foam. Cut a 1/8" X 1/2" piece of plastic canvas. Glue the smaller triangle to the larger triangle and the plastic canvas (zipper) to the top. Add a safety pin.



THINKING DAY PASSPORT

Material list: cardstock, butterflies, safety pins

Use a stock graphics for the passport seal and create a booklet with 6 pages for country stamps. Glue on a butterfly or other embellishment. Staple and punch a 1/8" hole, add a safety pin.



TIC TAC TOE

Material list: cardstock, tri-beads, mini zip lock bags, safety pins

Create a card with 9 squares for the game board. Place game board and 10 tribeads (5 each of 2 different colors) inside the baggie. Add a safety pin.



TIC TAC TOE CANISTER VERSION

Material list: film canisters, plastic gimp, tri-beads, paper or adhesive labels, safety pins

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 ends of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Place game board (3 lines diagonal, 3 lines horizontal) and 10 tri-beads (5 of 2 different colors) inside canister and replace lid. Label as Tic-Tac-Toe and add a safety pin through the loop.



TIC TAC TOE FOAM VERSION

Material list: craft foam, safety pins

Cut a 2" square out of fun foam. Draw 2 lines down and 2 lines across to make board. Cut several X and O using craft foam and glue on the board. Attach a safety pin.



TOILET BRUSH

Material list: straws, pipe cleaners, safety pins

Cut a piece of drinking straw approximately 2" long. Cut a 4" piece of pipe cleaner, fold it in half and form end to resemble brush, glue ends inside straw. Add a safety pin.



TRAIL SIGNS

Material list: craft foam, pebbles, safety pins

Cut a 1" square of tan fun foam. Glue on pebbles to make trail sign shapes. Attach a safety pin



TRAIL SIGNS IN A BAG TO PRACTICE WITH

Material list: cardstock, pebbles, sticks, mini plastic bags, safety pins

We used stock graphics to create several different trail signs. Add the card plus several pebbles and sticks to a mini zip lock bag and add a safety pin.



TRASH BAG

Material list: black trash bags, cotton balls, bread ties, safety pins

Cut a 4" circle out of a black trash bag and put a napkin or cotton ball in the middle. Gather at the top and tie off with a bread tie. Attach a safety pin.



TREASURE MAP IN A BOTTLE

Material list: 2" craft bottles, paper, string, safety pins

We used stock graphics to create a treasure map. Add the map to the craft bottle and fashion a hanger with the string. Add a safety pin.



TROOP BANNER

Material list: Craft sticks, craft foam, cardstock, pin backs

We used stock graphics to create a little scout and cut the cardstock in triangles. You could then glue this to triangles of craft foam for added durability. Glue to a craft stick and glue a pin back.



TROOP T-SHIRT

Material list: craft foam, markers, safety pins

See pattern section for t-shirt shape. Cut t-shirt out of assorted colored craft foam and add your own saying. Add a safety pin.



UNDER THE SEA

Material list: foam shapes, aquarium rocks, mini zip lock baggies, safety pins
Add foamie shapes and aquarium rocks to a zip lock bag and add a safety pin.



UNDER THE SEA VERSION 2

Material list: wood fish shapes, aquarium rocks, mini zip lock baggies, safety pins
Add wooden fish shapes and aquarium rocks to a mini zip lock baggie and add a safety pin.



UNDER THE SEA BOTTLE VESION

Material list: 2" craft bottles, metal fish shapes, aquarium rocks, sponge, pearls, string, pins
Add aquarium rocks, pearls, seed beads, little bits of sponge, metal fish shapes, and any other daubes you have on hand to the craft bottle. Fashion a hanger with string and add a safety pin.



UMBRELLA

Material list: pipe cleaner, 10,12,18mm star flake beads, 6mm silver and roundel beads, pins

Materials: Thin pipe cleaner, Small silver bead, 2 ea.10MM star flake beads, 4 ea.12MM star flake beads, 2 ea.18MM star flake beads, 10 ea. Roundel beads. Directions: Place the small silver bead at the bottom of the pipe cleaner. Place the star flake beads on the pipe cleaner in the order listed above. Put 6 roundel beads, the end of a safety pin, then 4 roundel beads. Trim the excess pipe cleaner and turn it under. A little drop of glue on each end is helpful for the sharpness.



VALENTINE HEART

Material list: craft foam, heart toothpicks, marker, safety pins

Cut 2" heart from craft foam (see pattern section). Push a heart toothpick through. Add "Be Mine", "XXX OOO", etc. with a marker. Add a safety pin.



WAFFLE

Material list: bingo chips, plastic canvas, fabric paint, pin backs

Cut brown plastic canvas in 1/2" squares and glue several to a bingo chip. Drizzle brown fabric paint or hot glue over the top. Add a small square of yellow craft foam for the pad of butter. Add a pin back.



WASH TUB

Material list: plastic bottle caps, craft foam, aluminum foil, cotton balls, fabric, safety pins

Cut a 3/4" X 2" length of tan craft foam. Glue a small strip of aluminum foil and a small square of fabric at the top. Glue the other end of the foam inside the bottle cap and glue a cotton ball (to represent the suds) over that. Add a safety pin.



WHISTLE ON LANYARD

Material list: plastic gimp, lanyard clips, plastic or metal whistles

Create a backpack tag swap using the square stitch. Add a whistle at the end and tie off using a square knot.



WISH SCROLL

Material list: film canisters, plastic gimp, paper, craft picks, paper or adhesive labels, ribbon, pins

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 end of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Make a scroll (we used a stock graphics) and glue a craft pick to either end. Let dry, add wishes, then roll up and tie off with ribbon and place inside canister and replace lid. Label as Wish Scroll and add a safety pin through the loop



WORRY DOLLS IN A BOTTLE

Material list: 1-1/2 craft bottles, tiny worry dolls, card stock, ribbon, safety pins

We used a stock graphic for the pillow and added the saying below. Put a tiny worry doll in the small craft bottle and glue to the card. Add a safety pin. "The Guatemalan children believe that before you go to bed at night, tell your worries to each doll, put the dolls under your pillow and when you wake up in the morning your worries will be gone." Alternate: if you don't have any bottles simply glue the worry doll directly to the card.



YAHTZEE IN A BOTTLE

Material list: film canisters, plastic gimp, dice beads, paper or adhesive labels, safety pins

Punch a small hole in the film canister lid and feed 2 end of gimp through while leaving a loop at the top. Tie off with a knot. Place game board (we used a stock graphics but you could minimize a game sheet) and 5 dice beads inside canister and replace lid. Label as Yahtzee and add a safety pin through the loop.



YIN-YANG

Material list: cardstock, craft foam, mini zip lock baggies, safety pins

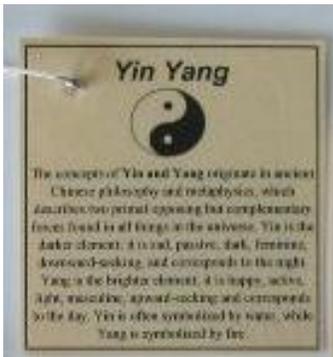
Use a stock graphics for the Yin-Yang symbol and add the saying below. Stamp a Yin-Yang symbol (try making a potato stamper) on craft foam and place inside baggie. Staple to card and add a safety pin. "We are like Yin and Yang. Complimenting but never complete without the other. I am your Yin, you are my Yang. Together, we make beautiful friendship and a better world."



YIN-YANG SWAP HISTORY

Material list: cardstock, laminate, safety pins

Use a stock graphics for the Yin-Yang symbol and add Yin-Yang history. Create your own or use the one below. Laminate and add a safety pin. "The concepts of Yin and Yang originate in ancient Chinese philosophy and metaphysics, which describes two primal opposing but complementary forces found in all things in the universe. Yin is the darker element; it is sad, passive, dark, feminine, downward-seeking, and corresponds to the night. Yang is the brighter element; it is happy, active, light, masculine, upward seeking and corresponds to the day. Yin is often symbolized by water, while Yang is symbolized by fire."



YO-YO BUTTON VERSION

Material list: large buttons, string, safety pins

Glue 2 large buttons together with the small one button in the middle. Glue some string around the middle and tie a finger loop. Attach a pin to loop.



YO-YO CANISTER CAP VERSION

Material list: film canister lids (new black with rim style), string, safety pins

Glue 2 film canister lids together (inside to inside). Glue some string around the middle and tie a finger loop. Attach a pin to loop.



ZIPPER

Material list: craft foam, metal pop tops, plastic canvas, safety pins

Cut a rectangle out of fun foam and glue a piece of trimmed plastic canvas down the middle. Glue on pop-top and hang from safety pin.



SOME EASY INEXPENSIVE IDEAS

BOTTLE CAP SWAPS

Material list: bottle caps, paint, foam shapes, stickers, anything else you think can decorate with pin backs.

We love bottle cap SWAPS! These are so fun to work with and your imagination can really let go. We paint the bottle caps and add foam shapes and metal stickers, straw flowers sealed with decoupage, stickers sealed with decoupage and filled with fabric paint or a clear glass bead with a picture glued inside the cap.... Let dry well and add a pin back or even a magnet. Visit your Dollar Store for lots of fun and inexpensive embellishments. These can be made for any themed event, holiday etc. You can also buy the package of bottle caps (a bit more expensive) and make necklaces, earrings..... the sky is the limit ☺



BUTTERFLIES

Material list: craft foam, felt, sequins, craft spoons, pipe cleaners, wiggle eyes, safety pins

Version 1: Use pre-cut foam butterfly shapes. Decorate with glitter, sequins, and markers as desired. Hang with safety pin.

Version 2: Cut 2" butterfly shapes and 1" butterfly shapes. Glue 1" size on top of 2" and add pom poms or sequins. Bend and twist pipe cleaner into body and antenna shape. Glue antenna shape and add a safety pin.

Version 3: Cut 3" butterfly shape and glue a colored craft spoon in the center. Hot glue antenna on the back of the craft spoon. Add wiggle eyes and add a safety pin.

Two of our favorites are the small clear craft bag, filled with colorful items and tied with a pipe cleaner to form the antennas.. and colorful scrapbook paper pleated and tied with a pipe cleaner... so many ways to be creative!



CLAY PIN SWAPS ... with clay you can do most any theme, holiday, food, animal...

Material list: Sculpty III clay, filo clay, or any homemade clay that will harden, bingo chips, paper clips, pin backs, safety pins

These clay SWAPS are made out of Sculpty III clay - can be found at any craft store or Wal-Mart. Fashion the item. Use your imagination and remember that a little bit of clay goes a long way. If you make the items too big, they will be heavy and take a long time to thoroughly dry. If you make them too thin, they may break. You can add a small wire "u" and make it into a charm or necklace.... Skip the wire cutting step and hot glue a baked and cooled piece on a bingo chip or other items with pin back. Hot glue a pin back to the back of larger pieces. To attach pin, use wire cutters to cut off both curved ends of small paper clips cut about 1/4 inch down from the curve. Carefully push both ends of the paper clip wire into the clay item. Place the swap on a foil lined cookie sheet, being sure they are not touching. Baking times may vary due to the thickness of the clay - see package directions for more details. It is important to have all the swaps on the same tray be about the same thickness, if you over bake to accommodate larger swaps, the smaller ones WILL burn! Be sure your cooking area is well ventilated. Let cool completely. To attach a magnet... bake and cool and use a hot glue gun to add a magnet to the clay object... you may need to test the magnet strength to be sure it can hold the object securely on the metal.



DECOUPAGE SWAPS

Material list: Laminate/Formica Samples, old cigar boxes, empty candle jars, magnets.... Use your imagination to create a wonderful gift... embellishments, mod podge, ribbon, safety pins

Working with decoupage makes great SWAPS, gifts, jewelry boxes, treasure jars, candle holders, vases etc. Add your own graphics, old magazine pages, old holiday card graphics, embellishments and other items to make them unique. Glue graphics on item, cover with mod podge and let dry. Glue on embellishments and a ribbon for hanging, a magnet etc..... If a picture can be glued onto something... it can be made into a great gift ☺



GIRL SCOUT VEST/TUNICS

Material list: craft foam, felt, glitter glue or paint, safety pins

Cut vest shape out of fun foam (use green, blue, brown or tan). Use a pen to outline the front opening of the vest. Use markers to draw troop number, Bridge to Juniors and Brownie Wings. Use a hole punch and cut circles for badges and glue at the bottom. Glue one strip of fun foam with line drawn across the middle for the GSUSA and Council ID strips. Glue on small felt tab with glitter glue dots for pins. Glue on a square of fun foam with signs drawn on. Attach a safety pin.



MY PET SWAP

Material list: cardstock, mini zip lock bag, wood hearts, wiggle eyes, cotton balls, craft fur, pins

Use stock graphics to create any number of "pets". Use an assortment of pompoms, wood hearts, muslin, cotton balls, craft fur, craft foam, wiggle eyes, markers to create the "My Pet Series". My Pet Cloud, Mummy, Dust Bunny, Ghost, Snail, Owl, Dragonfly, Butterfly, Tic, Spider, Furry Friend. Add the following: "No Food, No Water, No Litter, No Mess!"



WORLD THINKING DAY SWAPS

Material list: small Ziploc baggie, pick the Country you want to do, think of an idea and make it mini sized ☺

Example::: Put colored circles into a small jewelry size Ziploc baggie use cardstock or paper to make label with fun saying on it "Greek Salad".... Add safety pin... great swap for World Thinking Day.... Make mini clovers out of pomp oms or felt... Ireland.... Make a mini drum out of bottle caps..... Mexico..... you can miniaturize just about anything you can think..... you can check out <http://swaps-a-lot.ecrater.com/> for other great ideas for different Countries



PONY BEADS

Material list: pony beads, themed “token... we used various appliques, laminated maps, charms, foam items, open ended safety pins

Put 2-3 pony beads onto the safety pin, add the map, charm, or foam canoe, add 2-3 more beads.... These are great swaps for ANY camp event or trip that you may take add a special tag and you have a great keepsake.

We have also found some great pin sets on www.orientaltradings.com and www.makingfriends.com

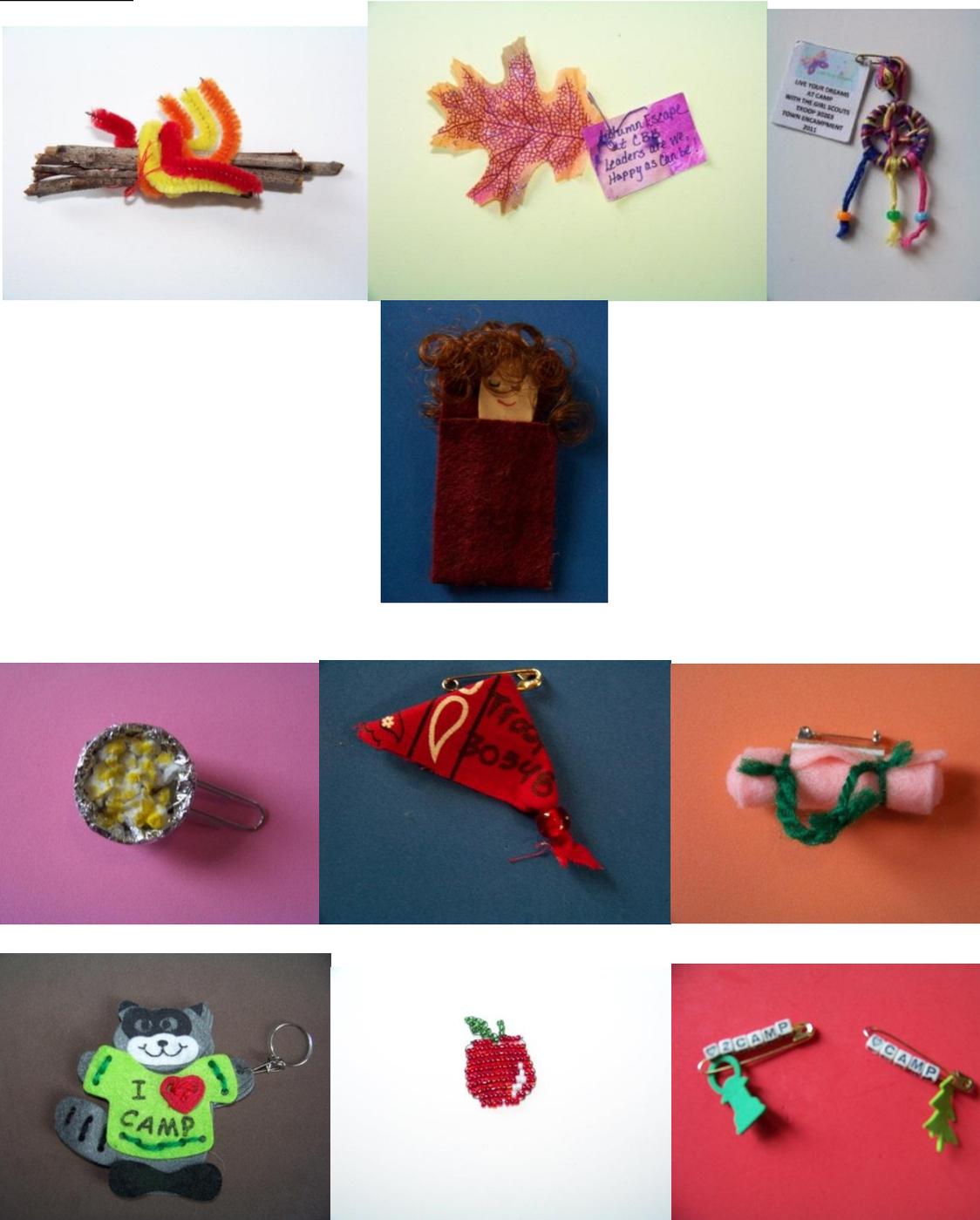


Pony beads are a wonderful way to take a simple cardstock graphic, applique or charm, a pin and make it into a colorful craft. You can also make pony bead creations with string and a simple color pattern to look like animals, people, monsters or more.



CAMPING VARIATIONS

Material List: The skies the limit.... Sticks, pipe cleaners, caps, Styrofoam, fake leaves, wooden spoons, fake hair, felt, scraps of material, pony beads, seed beads and pins... you can also find some fun ideas on Oriental Trading and Making Friends.... Or just google "Camping Craft Ideas" and shape it to the size you are looking for.



There are so many cool things associated with camping.... Bugs, animals, campfire, tents, food, fun and more.... When looking to do a craft related to camping, first ask yourself..... "What will we focus on during our camping trip?" Once you have decided the focus of the trip, you can then have fun planning the crafts that fit the focus.....

PINS

Many events also use PINS as a way to memorialize the day..... below are a few that we have received at events that we attended or planned..... pins are small, inexpensive and very easy to design.... Check out www.wackybuttons.com



VARIOUS ITEMS THAT HELP MAKE CRAFTING EASY, FUN AND INEXPENSIVE old barrettes, scraps of ribbon, shoe laces, pipe cleaners, pompoms, pony beads, clothes pins, feathers and googly eyes are some items that you might have around the house that can make some **GREAT** insect crafts. Put a pile of these items in front of a child and let their imagination go wild..... or buggy 😊



HOW TO DISPLAY ALL YOUR FUN CRAFTS

AS WITH ANY COLLECTION, YOU WANT TO BE ABLE TO ENJOY THEM.... WE HAVE FOUND A FEW FUN WAYS TO DISPLAY YOUR CRAFTS... AS GIRL SCOUTS WE HAVE FOUND THAT WE ACCUMULATE MANY MANY "SWAPS" ... HERE ARE THE WAYS WE HAVE PUT TOGETHER TO ENJOY OURS.



A SIMPLE "BUCKET HAT" BECOMES A GREAT "SWAP" HAT



YOU CAN ALSO MAKE A SIMPLE BANNER OUT OF FELT IN A SHAPE OF YOUR CHOICE, DECORATE IT OR DATE IT, MAKE A POCKET AT THE TOP FOR A DOWEL AND ADD A RIBBON OR ROPE TO HANG IT FROM

