

Instructions:

Glue the crêpe ribbons onto the top of the dowelling. When it is dry you can twirl it around, make circles, figures of eight, even write your name in the air!



33 Butterflies

These butterflies make a lovely mobile if several of them are tied to a branch. Tied to the end of a stick they make a nice toy for a child to run along with.

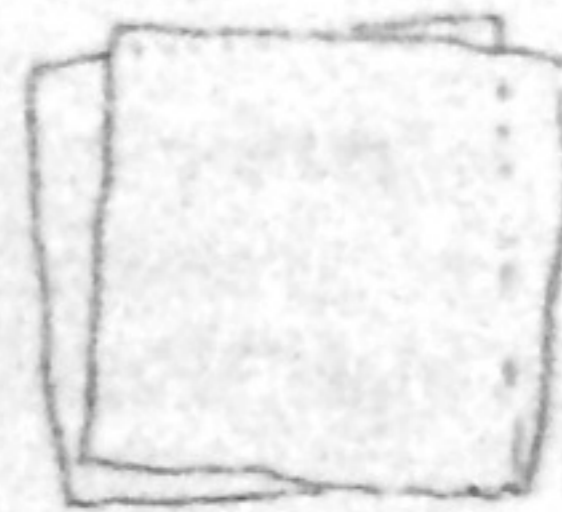


You will need:

Pipe cleaners
Tissue paper in several (at least two) different colours
Sewing thread for hanging them up

Instructions:

Take two different colours of tissue paper and cut a square 10 x 10cm (4 x 4") out of each.



Place the paper squares on top of each other and fold in half. Cut round the edges into the shape of a butterfly's wing.



Fold a pipe cleaner in half and twist the folded end slightly to form the tail. Slide the tissue paper wings between the pipe cleaner, pushing them towards the tail end to give a ruffled effect.



Twist the pipe cleaner at the head end leaving the ends to form feelers.



Tie a thread to its back so you can hang it up.



34 Garlands

A simple plait made of straw, raffia or dried grasses and knotted together at the ends makes an easy base for a garland which can be used over and over again. In Spring and Summer you can use fresh flowers and leaves or dried ones in the Autumn. Once the flowers wilt you can just pull them out and remake it when you need it again. They make good 'crowns' for a birthday child or to wear at Summer festivals.



Use 90cm (36") lengths of straw or raffia for the plait. Bind the ends together with a single strand to start with and secure the ends of the plait with the same strand when the plait is long enough. Don't make the plait too tight otherwise the flowers may be difficult to push in.

Many garlands can be produced quickly by making a circlet of goosegrass and sticking

buttercups and daisies into it. This can be a good game for a birthday party.

Tie the knot according to the size of the head.



35 Cup 'n' ball

Your children can easily make this paper cup themselves. It can be used for a traditional game of cup 'n' ball and also for a drinking beaker if the paper used is strong enough.

