## HELMETS

Category: Craft

Section: All

Time: 10-15 mins Location: At tables

Equipment: A4 paper, scissors, sticky tape, decorations, pens/pencils

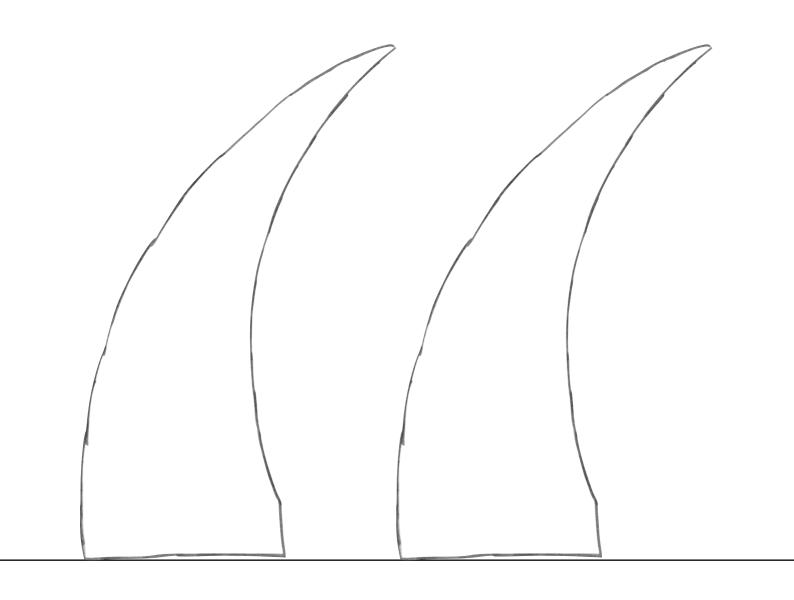
Make your own paper helmet.

## Badge References

#### **Beavers**

- ~ Creative 2. Try a craft. You could make one of these...
- ~ Skills Challenge 3. Do two creative things ...

There are no Cubs or Scouts Activity, Challenge or Staged badge requirements covered in this activity.



## HELMET - INSTRUCTIONS



1. Cut strips of paper lengthways, about 1 inch wide (4 per helmet).



2. Stick two together to go round your head.



3. Using the other two, stick them to the band making a cross on the top.



4. Fold a piece of A4 paper in half, draw 2 horns onto one side.



5. Cut them out, so you have 2 crescents that look like this.



6. With sticky tape, stick the horns with one end of each crescent either side.



7. Then stick the tips of the crescents together to look like horns.



8. Do the same with the other side.



9. Let the scouts decorate them as much as they like.

## LONGBOATS

Category: Craft

Section: All

Time: 30 mins (or stop them sooner, approx 15 mins)

Location: At tables

Equipment: Juice carton, paper, kebab sticks, pens, sticky tape

Make a longboat from a juice carton.

## Badge References

#### **Beavers**

- ~ Creative 3. Construct something. You could do one of these...
- ~ Experiment 1. Do three experiments ... (if you talk about how and why it floats or try different weights on the boat)
- ∼ Adventure Challenge 2. Take part in six other outdoor activities ...
- ∼ Skills Challenge 3. Do two creative things ...
- ∼ World Challenge 6. Do at least 3 of these things... junk modelling

#### Cubs

∼ Adventure Challenge - 2. Take part in six other outdoor activities ...

There are no Scouts Activity, Challenge or Staged badge requirements covered in this activity.

# JUICE LONGBOATS INSTRUCTIONS

This craft is based around juice cartons, drink the juice first and seal the hole with some tape.

Each scout needs a juice carton. For the sail use a square of paper and for the mast use a kebab stick that you tape the sail onto and then it goes through the carton. (note: full length kebab sticks make the boat topple over unless about 1/3 is sticking out the bottom so a smaller stick could be used and therefore a smaller sail needed.)

Let the scouts decorate the sails and make sure they all write their names on them, but keep them small so the boats aren't top heavy.

Finally the best bit, testing them. If you are lucky like my scouts you could take them to a lake or small river to test them (be sure to have the risk assessment and adults needed) otherwise you could use a paddling pool or washing up bowl, etc. to see how they float.

To link to the scientist/experiment badge ask them questions like: Will they float? Why? What would make it float better? Whose would win in a race? etc. Or you could test how much weight the boats can hold, and how this could be improved.

## RUNES

Category: Craft Section: All

Time: 15-30 mins Location: At table

Equipment: Permanent marker, stones, wood slices OR biscuits and writing

icing OR medium-large potatoes, sharp knife, paper, paint

Decorate using the runic alphabet.

## Badge References

#### **Beavers**

- ∼ Outdoors challenge 4. Take part in an activity using natural things... (if you use leaves, bark etc to make runes)
- ∼ Skills Challenge 3. Do two creative things ...
- ~ Creative 2. Try a craft. You could make one of these...
- ~ Communicator 4. Spell your name in Morse code .... or using pictures and symbols.

#### Cubs

- ~ Artist Choose 3 of these activities to do ...
- ~ Communicator 5. Choose 3 of these activities to do... Writing 3 simple messages using codes

#### **Scouts**

~ Creative Challenge - 1. Over a period of time, take part in at least four creative activities ...

There are no Staged badge requirements covered in this activity.

## RUNES - INSTRUCTIONS

Using flat stones, biscuits or wood slices (can be bought at some garden centres or online at Baker Ross) or similar. The scouts should decorate them with the runes to spell out anything such as your name, scout name or a motto. You could even print them on blank neckers.

Or make the runes using potato prints.

Using potatoes cut in half, cut prints for different runes use them to spell things out. For younger sections you might need to make the potato prints first for them to use.

As an extension the Scouts could design their own runic alphabet for your troop.

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## NORTHERN LIGHTS IN A BOTTLE

Category: Craft

Section: Beavers and Cubs

Time: 20 mins

Location: Outside or somewhere easy to clean up

Equipment: Clear plastic (500ml) bottle, oil, water, food colouring, Alka-seltzer

tablets

Northern lights lava lamp.

## Badge References

### **Beavers**

- ∼ Skills Challenge 3. Do two creative things ...
- ~ Creative 2. Try a craft. You could make one of these...
- ~ Experiment 1. Do three experiments

#### Cubs

∼ Scientist - Section 1 ... compare density of water to density of other liquids

There are no Scouts Activity, Challenge or Staged badge requirements covered in this activity.

In a clear plastic (500ml) bottle, fill about 3cm with water.

Then fill almost to the top with oil, pouring it carefully and slowly in, you could use a funnel to help.

Wait for the water and oil to separate.

Add about 10 drops of your chosen food colour.

To start it going add half an alka-seltzer tablet and watch it sink to the bottom and fizz.

## NORTHERN LIGHTS CRAYON ART

Category: Craft Section: Scouts Time: 15-20 mins

Location: Somewhere easy to clean up

Equipment: Board or canvas frame, crayons, hairdryer

Make a picture using crayons and heat.

## Badge References

## **Beavers**

- ~ Creative 2. Try a craft. You could make one of these...
- ~ Skills Challenge 3. Do two creative things ...

#### Cubs

~ Artist - Choose 3 of these activities to do ...

#### **Scouts**

~ Creative Challenge - 1. Over a period of time, take part in at least four creative activities ...

There are no Staged badge requirements covered in this activity.

# NORTHERN LIGHTS CRAYON ART INSTRUCTIONS

On a canvas or cardboard (could be black)
Peel the wrappers off the crayons.
I recommend putting a wipe clean mat underneath.

## Version 1

- 1. Cut the crayons into chunks about an inch tall
- 2. Glue securely side by side along the bottom of your board in whatever pattern you like.
- 3. Once the glue has dried, using a hairdryer high heat, blow it at the crayons at an angle so they run onto the rest of the board.

## Version 2

- 1. Keeping the crayons full length, hold a crayon over the canvas and use the hairdryer to melt and blow it in a starburst shape.
- 2. Repeat with different colours.