

craft lesson 101

projects for teachers and childcare professionals

Lead little hands through some practical projects this month with three simple, useful ideas

bookmark mittens

materials

- plain or printed felt
- small alligator hair clips
- craft glue
- scissors
- felt marker
- wax paper or baking paper
- paper & pencil
- optional – stickers, gemstones, glitter glue or other embellishments

Draw a mitten and cut out to use as a pattern. Cut out 4 mittens for each bookmark. If using printed felt cut out two with the thumb to the left and two to the right. Stack two mittens together both with thumb facing left and cut the 'cuff' off the bottom one, repeat for the other two with thumb facing right. These cut mittens are for the inside. Apply glue to the wrong side of one uncut mitten and place the alligator clip on top with the tip up at the fingertips. Hold open the clip and glue the matching cut piece on top aligning curved edges and thumb. One half of clip is now enclosed between two mitten pieces, the cut one to the inside. Before closing clip insert wax paper. Repeat with the remaining two mittens with the cut one to the inside. Leave wax paper in place until glue is dry. Add embellishments if desired.

essential materials



Felt from Spotlight.

funny felt pen

materials

- felt
- joggle eyes
- tiny pompom
- scissors
- craft glue

Cut a strip of felt 4cm wide and 1cm longer than the pen. Cut one end into a curve. Place the pen down the centre of the strip with the point hanging 1cm over the straight end.

Run glue along one edge, roll that edge over the pen then glue the other edge and roll to overlap the first edge. When dry glue on joggle eyes, felt ears or wings and a mini pompom nose.

worry dolls

materials

- popsticks
- yarn scraps
- fabric scraps
- felt marker
- toothpicks
- glue
- scissors
- Stanley knife to cut popsticks

Cut a popstick in half (6cm). For the arms, bend a toothpick in half but do not break. Cut off the ends making the arms equal length and glue 2.5cm from the top (curved) end. Wrap arms and centre part of the body with yarn and the bottom section with a narrow, torn strip of fabric. Glue at the back to secure. Wrap the top with yarn for hair and ad eyes with a felt marker.

essential materials



Glue & scissors from Spotlight.

