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ART & CRAFT - MAKE A CARDBOARD OWL

If you're looking for an easy craft activity to go alongside learning all about owls, this project is perfect for all ages to have fun with.

You will need:

Cardboard toilet roll tube

White, coloured or patterned paper

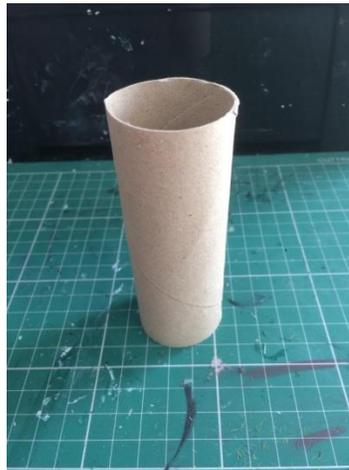
Scissors

Glue (PVA or glue stick)

Pens, pencils, paints, glitter, feathers – anything you can find to decorate your owl!

Method:

1. Measure the height of your cardboard tube (this one is 11cm tall) and cut a strip of paper to fit around it. Make sure it can wrap around the whole tube with a little bit of overlap.



2. Cover the cardboard tube in glue and carefully roll the paper around it. Allow the glue to dry before moving on to the next stage – you can prepare several tubes in one go if you like!



3. Pinch one end of the tube to flatten it slightly, and then draw a semi-circle on it. We used a 5cm cookie cutter as a template. Cut this out and use this semi-circle as a guide to cut out a second one on the other side of your tube, at the same end as you cut the first one from. The gaps make the top of the owl's head – see step 6 for a picture.



4. Decorate your cut out semi-circles with coloured pens, pencils, crayons, paint, glue, glitter – whatever takes your fancy! These will be the wings of your owl. We drew on some brightly coloured feathers, but you can be as creative as you like.



5. Decorate your owl's body, again by colouring it in or sticking glitter, feathers or cut out bits of paper onto it. We drew on a patterned chest and added some bright colours with pens to give you some ideas. Once the body is finished the way you want it, attach the wings on either side with some glue.



6. Colour in and cut out the eyes and the beak pieces (if you are making more than one owl, trace or copy the eyes and beak template onto plain paper or card first) and glue them into place on your owl – do the beak first and then stick the eyes over the top.



Eyes & Beak Template:

