

Nature Suncatcher

Category	Crafts
Advancement	Living with Nature
Time to allocate (mins)	20
Outcome	Create a suncatcher using natural materials.
Resources	Coloured popsicle sticks Scissors Hot glue gun and glue sticks Contact paper or laminating sheets Twine rope Leaves, twigs, flower petals, etc... <p>The first thing you need to do to make your suncatcher craft is create the frames from popsicle sticks. You'll need two frames as you'll need to glue them together to keep the nature and contact sheets in place.</p> <p>For each frame take 4 popsicle sticks and glue them with a hot glue gun to make a square-shaped frame.</p> <p>Next, cut a long piece of contact paper. Lay one frame on top to measure, then fold the contact paper over creating a closed square and cut it to size. Next, open the contact paper back up, and lay it flat.</p> <p>Invite your Cubs to go on a nature hunt and let them collect their favourite flower petals, leaves, small flowers etc. The more colourful the better!</p>
Instructions	<p>Go back to your craft station and help your kids to press each of nature's findings onto one side of the contact paper.</p> <p>Next, fold the other side of the contact paper over making sure the flower petals and other nature findings are enclosed within the contact paper sheet.</p> <p>Now you need to take the twine rope and cut a long piece of it, this piece has to be long enough to hang your frame!</p> <p>Then, take your hot glue and attach the rope to one of the frames. Put a bit of hot glue to each corner of the frame that has the twine hanger and carefully lay your nature sheet on top and secure it with hot glue.</p> <p>As a final step, add glue in each corner of the other frame and lay it flat on top of your nature findings sheet... And that's it! Your nature suncatcher craft is complete.</p>

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