Mini Pedal Bin

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Ages: 4 - 6

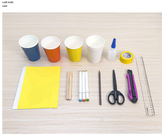
Time Taken: 15 - 30 minutes

Materials Needed

Your little ones might be interested in throwing away rubbish, so let's make some bins for them! The lid opens and closes by pressing a pedal, which is not only fun but also helps children learn about colours and sorting.

Materials Needed

2 coloured paper cups
1 coloured paper cup
glue
pens
rubber band
clip lid bin
cardboard tube
pencil
scissors
craft knife
ruler



Step-by-step tutorial

Step 1

Cut the fully closed clip lid and tube as shown. Pull rubber band apart and keep.

Step 2

Use glue to attach the 2cm piece to the 6cm piece as shown. Repeat for the other two sets.

Step 3

Place a paper cup upside down on the card and trace around the rim to make a circle. Repeat the process on different coloured card for the other two circles.

Step 4

Cut out these circles with scissors.

Step 5

Place the paper cup right side up. Draw a cut a 2.5cm rectangle on the cup's bottom.

Step 6

Carefully cut out the rectangle using the craft knife. Repeat for the other two coloured cups.

Step 7

Place the craft paper cups inside the unpainted coloured cups.

Step 8

Using a pencil, draw a line around the white cup where it extends above the coloured cup.

Step 9

Remove the white cup and cut along the marked line. Repeat for all three white cups.

Step 10

Insert the unpainted tube, sticks into the coloured cups, with the stick end pushing through the tube. Ensure the tube gets pinched from falling through.

Step 11

Attach the cut circles to the coloured cups using tape or craft tabs. Repeat for all three cups.

Step 12

Place the coloured white cups back into their respective coloured cups.

Step 13

Slide card clip lid inside a 10cm x 0.5cm rectangle from three different coloured cards.

Step 14

Bend the coloured card strips as shown. Repeat for all three.

Step 15

Using glue, fix rubber strips to the circular tube to complete your swing bins.

Step 16

Fix swing bins by slots into the matching lids!