

NO BONES: ENRICHMENT ACTIVITY

INCREDIBLE INSECT MODEL

Insects are unusual, amazing, strange, cool, weird, and unique - no wonder children are so fascinated by them! This Incredible Insects Activity provides a “glowing” firefly craft to reinforce the learning and includes everything you need! You will decorate a body and wing pattern, apply antennas and insert a glow stick. Turn out the lights and you will have a fantastic firefly!

MATERIALS

- Glow stick
- Plastic bottle with cap
- Wing patterns
- Glue stick
- Wiggly eyes
- Craft wire
- Pipe cleaners
- Crayons
- Scissors (you provide)



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Remove the black cap from the bottle.
2. Use the glue stick to attach each eye on to the top of the black cap, then set aside to dry.

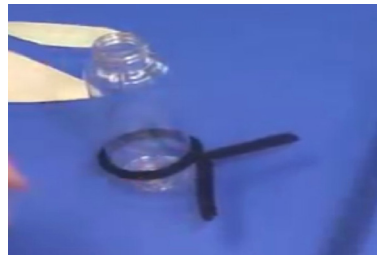


3. Color the wings and cut them out of the wing card.



4. Now it is time to attach the 6 legs onto the insect! Do this by bending one of the pipe cleaners in half, wrapping it evenly around the bottle, bring the two ends together, and then twist them tightly onto the bottle to secure them.



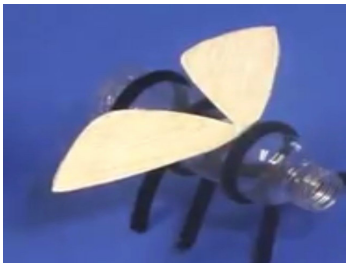


5. Repeat step 5 with the other two black pipe cleaners to create all six legs.



6. The legs can be bent and adjusted independently so the insect can stand straight.

7. Now you are going to attach the wings. Using the glue stick, place a thick spot of glue on the bottle between the first two sets of legs and push the larger set of wings onto it.



8. Place some glue from the glue stick on top of the first set of wings and attach the second set of wings.



9. Take the two pieces of wire and twist them together to create the antennae, to make one piece.

10. Bend that piece of wire in half and place it around the neck of the bottle, bringing the two ends back together like and twisting them together just as like did with the legs.

11. Place the lid back onto your insect, as it is now complete! Set aside to allow the glue to finish drying.

The glow stick can now be placed inside the insect. Encourage children to wait before they bend and release the glowing fluid the stick. They should do this at night in the dark to create the greatest affect! The tubes have also been painted with a glow-in-the-dark paint so the fun can last, just recharge under a light!