

Dino Hat

Materials

- One balloon for each hat
- Newspapers and/or brown paper bags
- Flour/water glue (directions below)
- Hole punch
- Egg cartons, construction paper, styrofoam, cardboard scraps, etc.
- Paint
- String for chin straps

Directions

1. Make a thin glue from flour and water.

Recipe: Take 250 ml (one cup) water and 1250 ml (5 cups) flour and mix together until runny. Then stir in an extra 1 litre (4 cups) of boiling water. Simmer for 4 minutes and let cool. The mixture should be about the consistency of porridge.



2. Tear strips of newspaper and/or brown paper bags. Strips should be approximately 2.5 cm (one in) wide; the length of each strip is not important.

3. Blow up one balloon for each hat.

4. Dip each strip of paper in the glue mixture and place on the balloon. Apply the strips along the length of the balloon and cover only half of the balloon. Approximately three layers are necessary for a hat thick enough to decorate.



5. Let the hat dry overnight or until it is completely dry.

6. When the hat is dry, pop the balloon and remove. Depending on the dinosaur species chosen, trim the hat accordingly. Using construction paper, egg cartons, styrofoam, etc., add a beak, crest, frill, horns, teeth, or any other attachment you would like, to the hat.
7. When the hat is dry, punch holes for chin straps and paint the eyes, nostrils, beak, skin colour and pattern, etc.
8. Add string to use as a chin strap.

