

Abracadabra Crafts: Making Magic Tools!

Welcome, young magician! Today, we're going to use our amazing crafting skills to make some essential tools for any aspiring magician: a sparkling magic wand and a mysterious magician's hat!

Activity 1: Design Your Dazzling Magic Wand!

Every magician needs a wand to focus their magic energy. Let's make yours!

1. **Choose Your Base:** Select your wooden dowel or sturdy stick. This will be the main part of your wand.
2. **Prepare the Magic Star (Optional):** If you want a star on top, trace a star shape onto colored construction paper (yellow or sparkly paper works well!). Carefully cut it out with your scissors. Ask for help if needed!
3. **Decorate the Wand:** Now for the fun part! Use markers or crayons to color your dowel. You can wrap colorful paper around it and glue it down, add stripes with markers, or cover parts with glue and sprinkle glitter (use a paper plate underneath to catch extra glitter!).
4. **Add the Star (If using):** Put glue on the bottom tab of your star cutout and attach it securely to one end of your decorated dowel. You might need a little tape for extra sturdiness. If not using a star, you can decorate the tip with extra glitter or a pom-pom!
5. **Finishing Touches:** Add stickers or sequins anywhere you like. Let your wand dry completely.

Activity 2: Craft a Classic Magician's Hat!

Now, let's make a simple magician's hat!

1. **Cut the Band:** Take a piece of black construction paper. Cut a long strip, about 2-3 inches wide. This needs to be long enough to wrap around your head. Measure it by wrapping it gently around your forehead and mark where it overlaps.
2. **Make the Band Circle:** Apply glue to one end of the strip and overlap it with the other end to form a circle (the headband). Hold it for a moment until the glue sticks.
3. **Cut the Top Circle:** Place the headband onto another piece of black construction paper and trace around the *outside* of the circle. Draw a slightly larger circle around the tracing (about 1-2 inches bigger all around). Cut out this larger circle. This will be the top of your hat.
4. **Attach the Top:** Carefully apply glue around the top edge of your headband circle. Gently place the larger circle on top of the glued edge. Press down lightly to secure it. Let it dry.
5. **Decorate (Optional):** You can add a colorful ribbon around the base or some magic-themed stickers if you wish!

Wrap-up & Magic Show!

Wow! Look at the amazing magic tools you created! Can you show me your wand? What colors did you use? Can you point to the star (if you made one)? Try on your magician's hat! Now you're ready to practice your magic words. Let's say 'Abracadabra!' together! Perhaps you can make one of your toys 'disappear' under a cloth using your new props!

Assessment Check: Did the student follow the steps? Were they able to use scissors and glue with reasonable control for their age? Did they participate enthusiastically in decorating and the final 'magic show'?