

Tank Top Beach Bag

Supplies:

Tank Top

Cord/ribbon

Scissors/hole puncher

Fabric glue/tacky glue

Fabric paint, trim (buttons, gems, etc.)

Instructions:

1. Using scissors or hole puncher, cut holes through the bottom of the tank top all the way around
 2. Thread cord or ribbon in and out through the holes
 4. Take the ends of the cord/ribbon, pull up, pushing the fabric together. Tie pieces together and knot twice
 5. Flip tank top inside out. Pull the pieces of ribbon through.
 6. Glue the openings together with fabric or tacky glue
- Flip right side out and decorate the bag any way you want.

Angry Birds Craft

Supplies:

Yarn
Craft glue
Googly eyes
Craft paper
Stacking cups

1. Create your mini pom poms with your yarn.
2. Once you've got your pom puff balls, add the faces. Glue on googly eyes, cut out paper noses for each and glue those on too. Even little black yarn pieces for the angry bird's eyebrows. Let these dry.
*For the bird, you can leave a little of the "tying" string longer at the top to act as the feathers that stick out on top or just glue an extra piece of yarn on top.
3. Build a tower for the pigs. We used small paper drinking cups stacked in a tower shape. We also used a popsicle stick to leave a little space for the pigs to fit inside.

Now sling shot your angry bird poms right into that tower.

Pom Pom Instructions

Step 1: Cut two circles of cardstock to the size indicated on the template. Then, cut out the inner circle of each.

Step 2: Put two same sized circles together and wrap with yarn as shown in the photo. If you run out of yarn before you finish wrapping, you can tie on a new piece and keep going. The more yarn that you add, the fluffier your pom-pom will be. You can also try wrapping with more than one strand of yarn at a time to make the process go faster.

Step 3: Once you finish wrapping your circle with yarn completely, tie a knot. Then cut the yarn around the perimeter of the circle.

Step 4: Separate the cardstock circles at the inside of the pom-pom. Pass a string of yarn between them and tie a tight knot several times at the center of the pom-pom.

Step 5: Cut the cardstock circles to pull them out of the pom-pom.

Marble Magnets

Supplies:

Magazines

Marbles with flat ends (found at most crafts stores & I've seen them at the dollar store)

Before the program:

Search for images you want to show off. Look through magazines, small photos or pretty printed paper or come up with your own on the computer. Cut the image to size.

During the program:

Adhere the image to the marble. Using clear tacky craft glue, put a drop onto the front side of the image and press to the flat side of the marble. Gently smooth out any air bubbles.

Attach the magnet. Again using the same clear tack craft glue, add a drop to the magnet and press it on to the back side of the image. Allow it to dry completely, and you're ready to use the magnet.

Fear Factor: Food Edition

Set up various stations of different types of gross food (spam, beets, gefilte fish, etc.). They get a point for eating each food. The one with the most points wins a prize.

Improv Games

Set up like "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" The teens play various improv games. Most of them can be found on the web.

Here are a few examples:

Questions Only: Only questions may be used in a scene. Contestants may swap when one makes a mistake.

Tag: The audience chooses initial positions of 2 contestants. They start a scene based on those positions, when another contestant shouts "freeze", they swap places and start a new scene from the current positions.

World's Worst: The contestants perform examples of the World's Worst of a given topic.

Sharpie Tie Dye

Supplies:

Sharpies (as many colors as you can)

Rubber bands

Rubbing alcohol

Easy access to a sink is preferred for this program.

Using the items they choose to tie dye, the teens rubber band the specific spots and color the material in with the sharpie.

Once colored, pour the rubbing alcohol onto the material over the sink (don't worry about staining anything, the sharpie comes off surfaces with the rubbing alcohol)

Once the rubber bands are removed, they will have their tie dye

CD Art

Supplies:

Old CDs/DVDs

Acrylic paint

Pencils

Sharp object (I was able to use a pencil, but some paint might need something sharper)

It works better if you pre-paint the CDs before the program so you don't have to wait for the paint to dry.

Children draw the design in pencil over the paint and then scratch it out

Magnetic Poetry

Supplies:

Magnet sheets (found at craft stores)

Printed words

Glue

Teens glue words of their choosing onto the sheets and cut them up to make their own poetry.

Scrabble Tile Jewelry

Supplies:

Scrabble tiles

Pictures from magazines & spare magazines

Leather cord (brown and black)

Modge podge

Glue (regular and diamond jewelry or wood)

Jewelry clasps

Scissors

Before program:

Glue the clasps onto the scrabble tiles

Cut out scrabble tile size pictures from magazines

During program:

Teens choose picture to glue onto tile (if they don't like the precut pictures, they can cut out their own) and then cover tile with modge podge. They pick the cord color of their choice to finish the necklace.

Fabric Wrapped Bangle

Supplies:

Big plastic bangles (I found them at Party City)

Leftover fabric (I bought a huge bag for \$10 at the fabric store)

Glue

Scissors

Teens choose fabric and wrap it around bangle.

Minute To Win It

I found all the games on the Minute to Win It website. I chose games where I could use supplies found in the library and bought the rest at the dollar store.

Here are a few examples:

Back Flip

The contestant must flip and catch a set of pencils from the back of their hand, starting with two for level 2, four for level 4 and six for level 7 and adding two more after each successful catch until they reached the specified number of pencils.

Defying Gravity

The contestant must keep three balloons in the air for 60 seconds, using any part of their body.

Face the Cookie

The contestant, using only their face, must move two cookies individually from their forehead to their mouth.

Candy Sushi

Supplies:

Rice Krispie treats (I used plain doughnuts from the supermarket and cut them in half. I have seen it using marshmallows as well)

Swedish fish

Fruit roll ups

Fish get placed on top of treat/doughnut/marshallow and a strip of the fruit roll up gets wrapped around the whole things.

If use the doughnut, it can be cut into a square, wrapped in fruit roll up and gummy pieces of fish placed inside it. (I used the website Not Martha for my candy sushi, but ideas can be found in many places).

Duct Tape

Supplies:

Various colors of duct tape

Scissors

Start by ripping a 2x2in strip of tape

Making the petals:

Fold the top right corner over on itself making sure you leave some adhesive on the left side

Fold the top left corner over on itself making a triangle with some adhesive left on the bottom.

Making the rose:

Take your newly made petal and wrap it around the top of the "Stem"

Repeat steps 2 and 3 to get petals. When adding petals, it works the best if you add them at an angle and then wrapping them.