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How to Make a Leprechaun Trap



On a mission to catch one of those sneaky leprechauns this St. Patrick's Day? Follow these instructions to build a leprechaun trap that is sure to capture any leprechaun!

Note: Adult assistance may be needed for this activity.

Supplies:

- construction paper - red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, gold metallic
- glue
- scissors
- tape
- cotton balls
- cardboard box - shoe box, cereal box, etc.
- string (3 ft long)
- 1 ft dowel/stick
- Substitution: gold glitter



Leprechaun trap design idea courtesy of Amanda Formaro



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Directions:

Step One: Start by taping the open flap of the cereal box. Cut off the front or back side of the cereal box. Cover the remaining part of the box with construction paper.

Step Two: Cut out 1-inch strips of each color of the construction paper to make a rainbow walkway. Once each strip is cut out, glue each of the pieces together in the following order: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple.

Step Three: Using the gold metallic paper, cut out small circles that are around 1-inch in diameter to make gold coins. (As a substitution, glue gold glitter to a plain sheet of construction paper.)

Step Four: Glue cotton balls all over a full sheet of construction paper.

Step Five: Attach the rainbow sheet to the bottom of the cotton ball-covered sheet. Spread the gold glitter coins out to lead the leprechaun down the rainbow path and onto the cotton ball sheet of paper.

Step Six: Use your 3 ft string and tie it on the end of the dowel. Prop the cereal box up with the other end of the dowel.

Now for the fun! Pull the string (that should be tied to the bottom part of the dowel) from afar to catch the sneaky leprechaun!