1408-4 Just Have Fun

T-SHIRT PILLOW
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Make a comfy pillow out of and old t-shirt. Tip: Use an old team t-shirt for a great memory piece.

Always cover your work surface with a mat or some type of protective covering like wax paper or plastic.

Age Range: 7 to 12

Grade Range: 2 to 6

Skill Level: Moderate

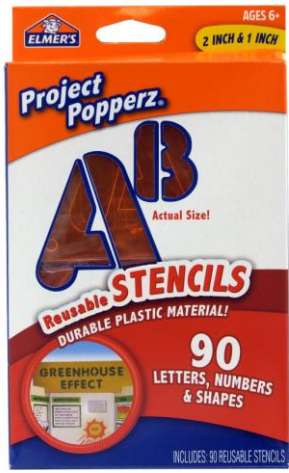Appropriate for These Special Events:
Every Day and Rainy Days

Supports Subject Area(s) of:
Language Arts – e.g. step by step instructions
Visual Arts

Time Needed for Project:
1 ½ hour plus drying time

Main Supplies:
T-shirt
Polyfill

Elmer's Project Popperz® Dual-tip Markers
Elmer's Project Popperz® Reusable Plastic Stencils
Elmer's Craft Bond Tacky Glue
Elmer's® Foam Board

Basic Supplies:
Scissors
Clothes pins
Ruler
Scratch paper
Sewing pins

Instructions:

1. Wash shirt to remove sizing then iron smooth.
2. Place ruler at side of shirt then fold hem up to 3" mark. Crease along fold then open up creating a line. Use scissors to carefully cut a 1" wide snip up to fold line along hem edge. Continue snipping along entire hem.
3. To create knots along hem edge, take front and back of snipped fabric then tie ends into a knot, tying twice. Repeat along length of hem edge as shown.
4. Place flat on work surface then insert scratch paper inside shirt to prevent seepage to back.
5. Remove desired letters and design from stencil pack. Carefully punch out and remove inside design. Place letter on shirt then use markers to fill in design. Use letters for words then add doodles and detail as shown.
6. Apply a bead of glue along inside edge of sleeve hem then press front to back holding with clothespins if needed. Let dry.
7. Fill pillow with polyfill to desired firmness.
8. Line up ribbing of neckline then place pins just under neckline to hold in place. Lift up ribbing, apply glue inside along one side then press together. Let dry then carefully remove pins.
9. Use markers to autograph pillow during parties.

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