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## 1410-2 Right in your own back yard

### Nest and Eggs Designed by Candie Cooper

Create a realistic nest with eggs using papier maché.

Watch the video for this project online at:  
<http://youtu.be/1tOU9Kkq0kY>



**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  
Mathematics - measuring  
Visual Arts

Time Needed for Project:  
1 ½ hours plus drying time

**Main Supplies:**

Activa® Celluclay™ Papier Mâché  
Twigs  
Brown and blue acrylic paint

**Basic Supplies:**

Small bowl lined with plastic wrap  
String  
Paint brush  
Plastic fork  
Measuring cup

**Instructions:**

Cut three or four flexible branches approximately 12" long. Wrap the branches around your hand to make a ring and tie in three spots with string.

Find a small bowl that your twig ring fits well in. Cover the small bowl in plastic wrap and place twig ring in the bowl.

Mix the papier mâché according to the manufacturer's instructions. Pick up a small amount of papier mâché, pat flat and stick into the center of the twig ring. Repeat until you work your way up the sides to the rim of the twig ring.

Let the nest set up for a few hours, remove from the bowl and leave to dry.

Use the remaining papier mâché to roll three small eggs to go into the nest.

Once your pieces are dry, you can paint them with acrylic paint. Dip your brush in water and then into the paint to create a wash over the nest.

Paint the eggs blue. Create speckled eggs by adding touches of brown paint with the end of the paint brush.

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