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1401-1 My Workplace

Monster Clips and Recycled Portfolio. Designed by Candie Cooper

Personalize your workspace with a cool folder and fun monster clips decorated with colorful paper and plastic lacing.

Watch the video for this project online at: http://youtu.be/00HqVNT6p10









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: 30 minutes

Main Supplies:

Office clips
Manila folder
Decorative papers
Wiggly eyes
Orange pipe cleaner
White felt
Pepperell® Rexlace™ Plastic lacing
Elmer's® Craft Bond™ Tacky Glue
Elmer's® White School Glue
Elmer's® Glue stick







Basic Supplies:

Clothes pins Scissors Ruler Pencil

Create the Monster:

Cut a piece of paper to fit the front of the clip---tissue paper works great because it conforms to the shape of the clip easily.

Paint a layer of school glue, put paper in place and seal with a layer of glue and leave to dry. Wrap and tie pieces of plastic lacing around the top of the clip. You can tie lots of small pieces to the top loop to create crazy hair.

Finish by gluing some jagged teeth using the white felt to the bottom of the clip, a pipe cleaner smile, and a wiggly eye. Use clothes pins to hold the glued pieces together while the glue sets.

Create the Portfolio:

Using a ruler and pencil, draw a line across the front of the manila folder about 2" from the top and cut along the line with scissors. Fold the back over the front to make a flap and cut the tab off the folder.

Paint glue along the outside front of the folder and adhere scraps and sheets of paper. Torn edges along the flap are fun because it looks as if the monsters have been eating. Trim excess paper from edges and secure the flap closed with a monster clip.

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