



Handicraft

For our handicraft lesson, we will be creating a felt fox plush! This activity is more suited for older kids, however younger children can still enjoy with help from someone older.

Pick out fun colors or patterns and use buttons or beads to accessorize! You can also use leftover felt scraps to make scarves or hats.

"I've filled him with the Spirit of God, giving him skill and know-how and expertise in every kind of craft to create designs ... he's an all-around craftsman."

~ Exodus 31:3-5

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DIY Felt Fox Plush

Supplies

- Felt fabric (colors of your choice)
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Needle and thread
- Template



Directions

1. Print and cut out the patterns from the template. Select the felt fabrics of your choice and trace the patterns on them. Use scissors to cut out the patterns neatly. The patterns on the template are marked with colors, so you don't need to worry about which pattern to trace on what color felt.
2. Take the head, heart-shaped, and tiny circular cut-outs. Prepare matching needle and thread to stitch the heart-shaped cut-out with the head cut-out by matching the bottom corner (point) of both patterns.
3. Trace the eyes on the top side of the heart-shaped piece and use black thread to stitch the traced eyes of the fox.
4. Now stitch the nose on the bottom corner end of the head.



5. Take the lower body cut-out, the tail end, the big circular cut-out, and the 2 tiny strips. These are the lower body pattern pieces. Prepare needle and thread to stitch them together.

6. Stitch the tail end on the tail end of the lower body; stitch the circular cut-out on the bottom side of the lower body cut-out, and stitch the 2 tiny strips on the bottom side of the circular piece.

7. Place the back body cut-out on a flat surface and then place the stitched lower body cut-out on the top of it; make sure to match the sides of both pieces on the bottom side.

8. Place the stitched head on the top of the back body piece, match the sides of the back piece and the head cut-out as well.

9. Prepare needle and thread. Start to stitch the sides of the 3 pieces to join them around the sides. While stitching, make sure to stitch the head and the lower body cut-out along their joint part.

10. Keep a small opening before closing the side stitches. Insert cotton through this opening to stuff the felt fox.

11. After you are done stuffing the felt fox, close the open end to secure the stuffing. Tie a knot and draw the needle through the plush and bring it out on the back side of the plush. Cut off the extra thread and done!

