

Encounter Craft

This week: Homemade Games

There are lots of things around the house you could use to make some games! Here are a few ideas of what you could do...

Toilet roll bowling – Decorate empty rolls in any way you want and then add numbers on the sides to be the number of points scored if you knock them down. Use a small ball or make one out of scrunched up paper. Take turns with another person up to 5 rounds or more and add up how much you score!



Ring toss – Use the inside of a kitchen roll as your target. Decorate it in bright colours and stick firmly to a paper plate – playdough is perfect for this. Cut the centres out of more paper plates to make your rings. Decorate them and then use them as your hoops to toss at the target. How many can you get on?!



Target golf – Using an old cardboard box, carefully cut different sized holes – either square or semi-circle – along one edge. Stick coloured tape or paper around the cut edges with a score number on them. The smaller the hole, the higher the score they are worth! Then turn the box upside down and you have targets to hit balls into. You can use ping-pong balls, or other lightweight balls, or scrunched up paper or foil. To make golf clubs you could use kitchen roll tubes or even rolled-up newspaper.



Sock puppets – Not a game as such, but great fun to make and to play with! You just need an old sock that you can comfortably put your hand into – (check with the sock's owner first!) Then you can choose anything you like to create a face, either by sticking things on or sewing them on if you are able. Buttons make great eyes, wool or string can be hair, small bits of fabric can make ears, tongues, lips etc – whatever you fancy. And remember – sometimes the simplest ones are the funniest!



HAVE FUN!!