

Sock Rabbit



With spring in the air, and home-based activities essential, this simple sock rabbit should fit the bill. Younger children might need a little help tying the string, or you can use a food bag clip, rather than an extra hand.

Equipment

Old sock - without holes
Rice, or any other stuffing material
String - 3 x 15 cm lengths
Scissors
Ribbon
Sharpie
Food bag clip (optional)

Method

1. Place the sock inside a glass or plastic beaker, then stretch the cuff over the top to keep the sock open.
2. Pour in your rice, to a depth of about 10cm, pushing the filling down gently as you go, so that it fills any gaps.
3. Carefully remove the sock from your beaker and tightly grip the sock together, just above the top of the rice. Firmly squeeze the rice down into the sock so that it will create a stable base.
4. Tie a piece of string tightly around the sock to create the body. If you're struggling to do this whilst holding the sock, use a food bag clip to keep the sock closed while you tie the string.
5. Holding the top of the sock open, carefully add more rice, to a depth of about 5-6cm. Then repeat the process of pushing down the rice, and tying the string around the top of the rice, to form the head.
6. Use the material that remains above the string to form the ears. Cut the material lengthways, down the middle, then cut to length and shape as required.
7. Turn the rabbit over, and towards the bottom of the body, pinch a little bit of sock fabric to create a tail. Tie this into place with a piece of string.
8. Using a Sharpie (or other permanent pen), draw on eyes and a mouth.
9. Finally, tie a piece of ribbon around the neck of your rabbit for maximum cuteness.