

Bowdabra®

Bow Maker, Favor Maker & Craft Tool

Frugal and “Green” Kid’s Crafts

A Guide to Simple Projects for St. Patrick’s Day



Step-By-Step
Instructions with Pictures

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St. Patrick's Day Card

*"Children love to send and receive mail. This is the perfect card to send to distant family members."
Sandy Sandler, founder of the [Bowdabra®](#)*

SUPPLIES:

- Black & Green Construction Paper
- Ric Rac
- Adhesive Gem (Optional)
- Glue or Glue Dots



PUTTING IT TOGETHER.....



1. Begin by gathering all the materials you will need for this project.



2. Fold a piece of black construction paper in half.



3. Fold paper in half again.



4. Use the picture to the left as a guide for cutting the leprechaun's hat.



5. Unfold the paper once. It should look like this.



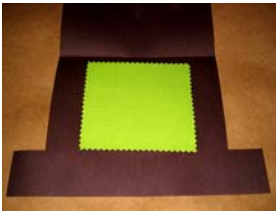
6. To make the clover cut out three hearts and a stem.



7. Glue the points of the hearts together to form the clover. Add the stem.



8. Dress the card up with ric rac, gems, and other fun embellishments.



9. Once card front has dried glue a piece of green paper on the inside.



10. Have children write a fun message inside.



11. Put in an envelope and mail!

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Pot of Gold at the End of the Rainbow

"This is a great craft for children and parents to do together."

SUPPLIES:

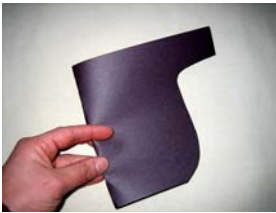
- Black and Yellow Construction Paper
- Assorted Pipe Cleaners
- Clear Tape
- Glue or Glue Dots



PUTTING IT TOGETHER.....



1. Begin by gathering all the materials you will need for this project.



2. Fold a piece of black construction paper in half and cut it to look like the shape to the left.



3. Unfold and flatten paper.



4. Cut the strips about 6 inches in length.



5. Wrap the strips around a marker tightly.



6. Apply a glue dot to the underneath end of the yellow curled strip.



7. Attach the yellow strips along the top of the pot of gold.



8. To make the rainbow. Form the pipe cleaners into arches. Make the arches smaller as you get closer to the pot. Helpful Hint: The top three arches two pipe cleaners connected in the middle where used.



9. Twist the ends of the rainbow together.



10. Tape the rainbow ends to the back of the pot of gold. Display your masterpiece proudly!



11. **Craft Variation:** Paste the pot of gold onto construction paper. Then paste pipe cleaners onto the paper in a rainbow form.

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St. Patrick's Day Bookmark

"Easy craft, perfect for a classroom or a rainy afternoon."

SUPPLIES:

- Green Construction Paper
- Pipe Cleaners
- Markers
- Hole Punch

PUTTING IT TOGETHER.....



1. Begin by gathering all the materials you will need for this project. Cut any size bookmark shape from construction paper.



2. Hole punch the top of the bookmark and thread the pipe cleaners through the hole. The pipe cleaners will be your bookmarks tassels.



3. Decorate the bookmark with markers, crayons, or stickers.



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Magic Leprechaun Wand

"This is a great craft that allows children to use their imagination in pretend play when they finish making their wand."

SUPPLIES:

- Green Construction Paper
- 3 to 4 Pipe Cleaners
- Glue Dots or Glue Stick
- Tape



PUTTING IT TOGETHER.....



1. Begin by gathering all the materials you will need for this project.



2. Fold a piece of green construction paper in half. Cut hearts out along the fold.



3. Using glue dots attach the tips of the hearts with glue dots or a glue stick.



4. The final clover should look similar to the picture on the left.



5. Take 3 to 4 pipe cleaners and twist them together. Then fold them in half and twist again.



6. Attach the wand to the back of the clover with tape.



7. Use your wand and your imagination for loads of St. Patrick's Day fun!

Facts

What is the Bowdabra®?

The Bowdabra® (pronounced like “abracadabra”) is an easy-to-use crafting tool people use to make professional-looking, hand-tied bows at home.

What types of things can a Bowdabra® be used for?

Just about any type of material can be used in a Bowdabra® to create beautiful bows for gifts, baskets, home décor, bridal decorations, hair accessories, and more.

How does the Bowdabra® work?

The Bowdabra's patented design makes it simple to create medium to large bows. The process begins by inserting a piece of ribbon wire into the Bowdabra®. Then, material is either scrunched or folded on top of the wire to achieve the bow size and fullness desired. Once the material is in, the Bowdabra Wand is used to compact the material onto the ribbon wire. The wire is then tied, and the bow can be removed from the Bowdabra®. Once removed, the bow can be fluffed, arranged, and retied to the maker's liking.

Who is Sandy Sandler?

Sandy Sandler is the creative mind behind the Bowdabra®. She owned a corporate gift company that created gift baskets and other items in need of bows and found it difficult to train employees to create them by hand. Sandy tried other bow-making tools on the market, but they were difficult to use and did not produce the result she was looking for.

Certain there had to be a better way to quickly and easily create bows; Sandy hired a design engineer to help develop what became the Bowdabra®.

Did Sandy Sandler invent the Bowdabra®?

While Sandy takes credit for recognizing the need for a better way to make bows, she shares the spotlight with her team of designers that helped make her dream a reality. Patents for the Bowdabra® are in Sandy's name.

Where are Bowdabras® sold?

Bowdabras can be found in retail stores like ACMoore, Michael's, Hancock Fabrics, and Garden Ridge. They are also available online at www.Bowdabra.com. Many owner-operated craft shops stock Bowdabra® as well. Check with your local craft supply store.

How much does a Bowdabra® cost?

The exact pricing for the Bowdabra® varies slightly between retailers, but remains inexpensive in the range of \$14.99 to \$30.00, depending on the kit configuration. When you factor in the money saved not having to buy manufactured bows, the Bowdabra® practically pays for itself.