



GET
ADVENTUROUS



20 MINUTES



PREPARATION
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TWIG FRAMES



AIM

Use natural items, such as twigs and sticks, to create a picture frame to store a favourite photo or piece of art.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Twigs / Sticks
- Wool or String
- Natural Items (Leaves, Daisies etc)
- Glue or Tape
- Clothes Peg or Paperclip
- Photograph or Artwork

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THEME: EXPLORING THE WORLD AROUND ME



LEADER PREPARATION

A suitable area will need to be found to complete this activity. Ideally a woodland or forest area would help for collecting twigs. This activity benefits from children finding their own twigs, but if not suitable then twigs could be collected beforehand by a leader.



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

- 1 Head outside and hunt for some sticks and twigs that are roughly the same length and thickness. To make a frame, you'll need at least 4 sticks. Whilst outside, children should also be encouraged to hunt for other natural items that could be used to help decorate the frame (i.e. leaves, daisies, dandelions etc).
- 2 Form the twigs into a rectangle or square shape. The twigs should overlap with each other, with a little bit of the twig sticking out beyond the rectangle / square shape.
- 3 Use wool / string to fix the corners in place. Work on one corner at a time. Wrap the wool / string several times around the two twigs forming the corner, making an x shape. Finally tie a knot to secure the string in place. Complete this on each of the four corners until you have a solid rectangle / square frame.
- 4 Cut a piece of wool / string that is a bit longer than the width of the frame. Tie this to the two ends of the frame. This string can then be used to hang the frame on a wall.
- 5 Tie another piece of wool / string towards the top of the frame. Using a paperclip or clothes peg, children can use this string to hang a picture / piece of art in the frame.
- 6 Finally, the frames can be decorated to make them more colourful and interesting. Decoration could be in the form of other natural items (small leaves, daisies etc) being stuck to the frame using glue / tape, or colourful wool to wrap around the twigs.



IDEAS TO TAKE THIS FURTHER...

Children could create pieces of art that can then be hung in the twig frames. These pieces of art could be simple drawings or you could look to make a nature collage, or something similar, to help enhance the natural look of the frame and the image inside.



KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Please ensure the location used for collecting twigs is safe and appropriate. Make sure children wash their hands after touching the twigs.