



GET CREATIVE



20 MINUTES



PREPARATION
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FLYING FIREWORKS



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Celebrate Bonfire Night by creating some colourful paper fireworks that can then be launched through the sky with a drinking straw. Bonfire Night is celebrated on 5th November each year.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Flying Fireworks Template Sheet
- Colouring Pens / Pencils
- Drinking Straws
- Sellotape
- Scissors
- Plastic Pipette

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THEME: ARTY & CRAFTY



LEADER PREPARATION

A leader will need to ensure you have enough equipment for each child taking part. Cutting out of the fireworks from the template sheet should ideally be done by a leader beforehand too.



[Download The Flying Fireworks Template Sheet](#)



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

- 1 Download and print a copy of the 'Flying Fireworks' template sheet. Ideally the fireworks should be printed on thin card to give them a bit of strength. Alternatively you could design your own firework templates for children to decorate.
- 2 Cut out the fireworks and give each child one to colour in and decorate. Encourage children to use bright colours to make their firework stand out. Children could also use craft materials such as glitter glue and stickers to decorate their rockets.
- 3 Cut off the bottom of a plastic pipette and stick this to the back of the firework, using tape. The closed end of the pipette should be at the top of the firework, with the end that has been cut pointing to the bottom.
- 4 Once children have finished decorating their fireworks they can then start launching them. To do this, place a drinking straw into the pipette. Children can then blow on their straw and watch their firework fly into the air.
- 5 You could have a competition for the best decorated firework as well as the firework that can be launched the highest / furthest.



DID YOU KNOW?

- Fireworks are thought to be nearly **2000 years old** and invented by the Chinese.
- A firework can reach speeds of up to **150mph**.
- Fireworks can be fired up to **200m into the air**.
- The record for the largest firework display consisted of **66,326 fireworks**.



IDEAS TO TAKE THIS FURTHER...

Expand your fireworks programme by taking on other firework themed activities including 'Fireworks' (Get Active) and 'Fireworks & Bonfires' (Themed Programme) that are on the Programme Hub.



KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Please be careful when using scissors. When launching the fireworks, explain to children that they must fire them into an open space, rather than at each other.

