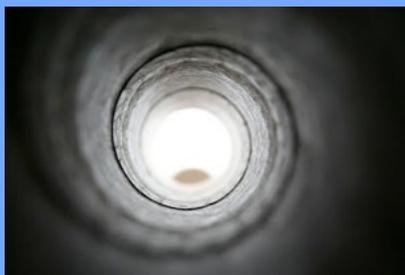


3-5: FLYING KOI

Related academic subjects: fine arts, language arts, science, and social studies.

1. Use a 1" diameter bottle cap to trace and cut out two white circles for the fish's eyes
2. Draw a black dot in the center of each circle to form a pupil.
3. Use a 1.5" diameter bottle cap to trace and cut 12 circles each from two different colored pieces of paper.
4. Cut these circles in half to create the fish's scales.
5. Cut the leftover paper into 1" x 3" rectangular strips to serve as the fish's tail.



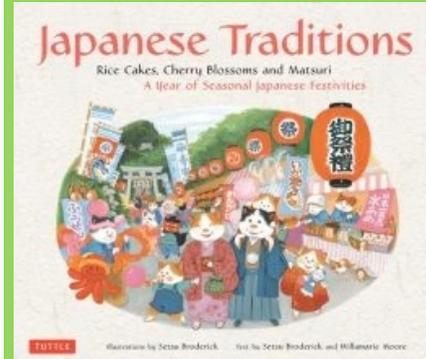
6. Glue the half circles onto the tube, with each piece slightly overlapping the next.
7. Glue the eyeballs on either side of the front of the tube.
8. Glue the tail pieces to the inside of the back of the tube.
9. Punch a hole in the middle of the fish's head.
10. Tie one end of a 16" piece of string or yarn through the hole and the other end around a chopstick.
11. Have a classroom koi parade!

MATERIALS:

1. Toilet paper tubes (or paper towel tubes cut in half)
2. 8.5" x 11" sheets of white and colored paper
3. 1" diameter plastic bottle caps
4. 1.5" diameter plastic bottle caps
5. #2 pencils
6. Scissors
7. Black markers
8. Rulers
9. White glue
10. Hole punchers
11. String or yarn
12. Chopsticks



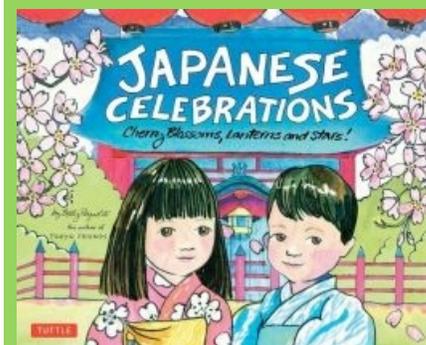
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