

# Transform a Rock Into a Glue Gun Creature



## WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Gun
- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Sticks 12 Pack
- Kadink Air Drying Clay 1kg White
- Kadink Washable Pearl Poster Paint 500mL Green
- Kadink Washable Bright Poster Paint 500mL Magenta
- Sharpie Fine Permanent Marker Black
- Kadink Paintbrush Set Assorted 15 Pack
- Kadink Chenille Stems Assorted 40 Pack (pipe cleaners)
- Kadink Googly Eyes Black and White 125 Pack

→ Turning regular rocks into cool creatures is always popular with kids and can be a fantastic sensory activity. If you don't have any rocks around, they can create their own out of a big lump of air-dry clay. Once the clay is dry, they can add all sorts of fun texture to the rock using their glue gun. Think big spiny backs, horns, teeth or antenna. Try using long wiggles that curve around each other to give a 'creature'-like look to a rock, a little pink paint will add the finishing touch. Get them to play around with how much glue they need and even overlap parts to make their rocks extra 3D. The glue dries nice and fast, so they can move straight onto painting, colouring-in or adding extras like pipe cleaners, googly eyes or even sand and dirt for added texture.



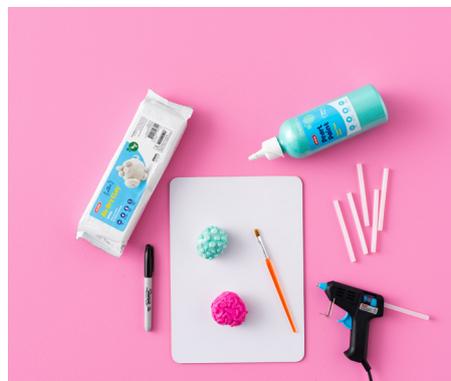
### STEP 1

Create a "rock" using air-dry clay and leave to dry overnight. Or skip to Step 2 if you have rocks from the garden.



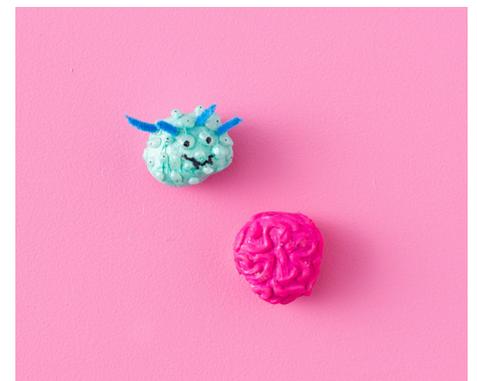
### STEP 2

Use the glue gun to create cool textures, squiggles and patterns on the surface of the rock.



### STEP 3

Once the glue is dry, paint or colour-in the rock, using brushes, a sponge or markers.



### STEP 4

Using more glue, add any extra accessories to your rocks like pipe cleaners or googly eyes.

# Make a Paper Plate Glue Gun Pond



## WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Gun
- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Sticks 12 Pack
- BioPak BioCane 10" Round Plate 10 Pack
- Kadink Crepe Paper Assorted 6 Pack
- Kadink Air Drying Clay 1kg White
- Kadink Paintbrush Set Assorted 15 Pack
- Kadink Construction Paper A4 Assorted 500 Pack
- Kadink Washable Bright Poster Paint 500mL Light Blue
- Studymate Soft Grip Scissors 6"/152mm

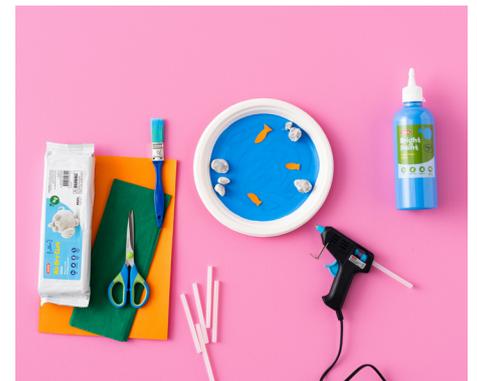
→ When warm glue dries, it can look like water, so why not play on that by encouraging kids to create their own little ponds or pools. After painting the base of a paper plate blue, they could add anything they like, from fish cut from construction paper to tiny people swimming and inflatable pool toys made from clay. Once the paint is dry, kids can add a thin layer of their glue 'water', press on their accessories, then add some more glue water over the top of rocks and fish so they look like they are under the 'water'.

**HOT TIP:** The key is not to add too much glue in one spot, as it can start to get milky and hard to see through.



### STEP 1

Take a paper plate and paint the base blue to create the bottom of the pond.



### STEP 2

Create the 'underwater' details first, like little fish, rocks or anything that will sit flat onto the plate, then glue in place.



### STEP 3

Now add the 'water': cover the base of the plate using the glue gun. Use the pointy tip to spread it around.



### STEP 4

Add final touches like greenery around the edges, then apply more glue over the top to rocks so they look wet. Don't forget to add some clay people, too.

# Spin a Delicate Spider Web



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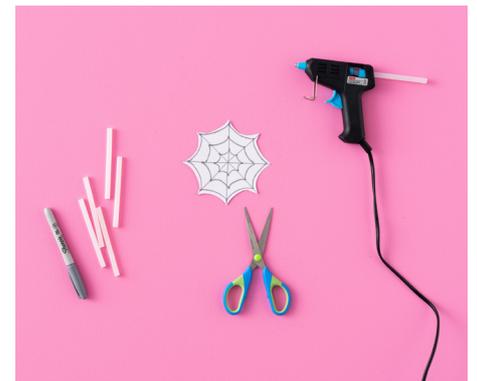
- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Gun
- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Sticks 12 Pack
- Kadink Construction Paper A4 Assorted 500 Pack
- Studymate Soft Grip Scissors 6"/152mm
- Sharpie Fine Permanent Markers Electro Pop 24 Pack

→ The nice, stretchy glue in a glue gun is begging to become a spider web or snowflake! You'll need a shiny, heat resistant surface like a ceramic plate or a whiteboard. Do a test first to make sure that, once dry, you can 'pop' the creation off with ease. Kids can either draw or print out their spider web, cut it out and apply glue over the top, or simply freestyle one directly onto the surface and let it dry.



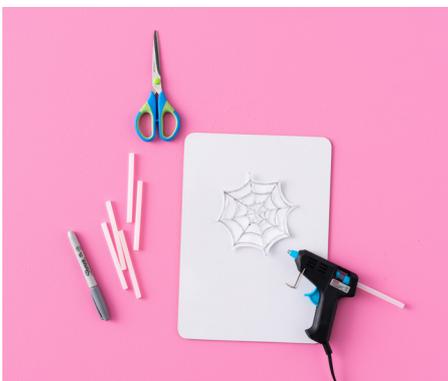
### STEP 1

Use a marker to draw a web or print one out and cut around it. The paper can be left attached as a base.



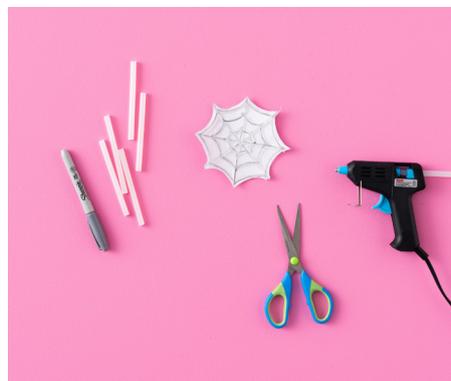
### STEP 2

Place the web drawing on the heat-resistant surface and use the glue gun to follow along the spider web lines.



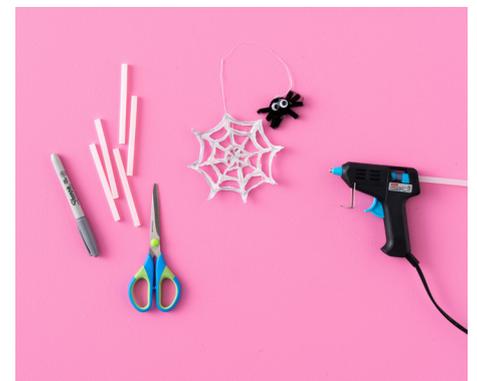
### STEP 3

Allow to dry and add a second coat. The thicker each line is, the easier it is to lift it off the heatproof surface.



### STEP 4

Cut out the inside paper parts of the web, which will really work those scissor skills.



### STEP 5

Make a spider out of pipe cleaners and googly eyes. Gently pull a dob of warm glue upwards to make a thread to attach the spider to the web.

# Create a DIY Stamp in Seconds



## WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Gun
- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Sticks 12 Pack
- Little Learner Balsa Basics Pack Assorted 152 Pack
- Kadink Paintbrush Set Assorted 15 Pack
- Kadink Washable Bright Poster Paint 500mL Red
- Kadink Washable Bright Poster Paint 500mL Yellow
- Kadink Construction Paper A4 Assorted 500 Pack

→ With a little balsa wood, a glue gun and some paint, kids can create their own stamps, which is a wonderful way to work children's fine motor skills and spatial awareness. It's also about creating a reverse image, whether it's a picture or letters, and kids will learn that what they press down on the paper will appear back-to-front, helping them understand the concept of reflection. An easy way to start is with a random pattern, a smiley face or symmetrical letters. After a bit of practice, encourage kids to create a stamp for each letter of the alphabet, which will come in handy for homemade flashcards.



### STEP 1

Start with a nice flat front surface. We used balsa wood but you could also use jar lids, or old Tupperware pieces.



### STEP 2

Use the glue gun to make a pattern onto the smooth surface. Once cool, repeat over the top and leave to dry.



### STEP 3

Dip the glue pattern into paint before pressing down on a piece of white cardboard.

# Make a Bedroom Name Sign



## WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Gun
- Kadink Low Temperature Glue Sticks 12 Pack
- Kadink A4 Coloured Card 180gsm 30 Pack
- Marbig Jute String 80m Roll
- Studymate Soft Grip Scissors 6"/152mm
- Kadink Glitter Pom Poms Assorted 70 Pack
- Kadink Chenille Stems Assorted 40 Pack (pipe cleaners)

→ Now they can create their own perspex-style name sign out of glue. They may like to print out the letters using a computer font, trace stencils or hand-draw the words. Once the outline is in place, they can follow the lines with the glue gun. Make the letters nice and chunky and it looks great when you go over them a couple of times, giving the sign a real 3D look. Then decorate and hang.



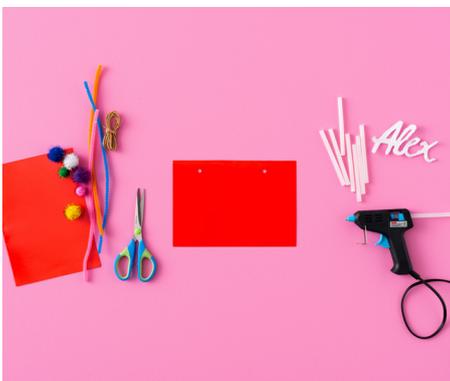
### STEP 1

Print out their name on a piece of paper (or use a stencil or hand draw the letters). Then cut around the letters.



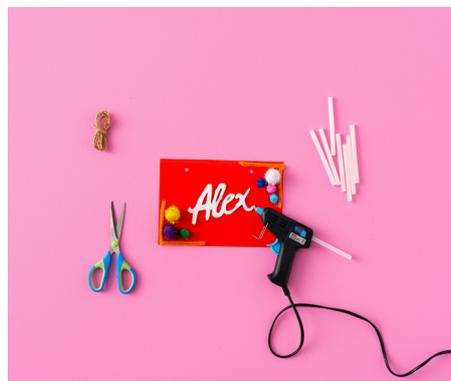
### STEP 2

Using the glue gun, trace over the letters and allow to dry, then add a second coat of glue.



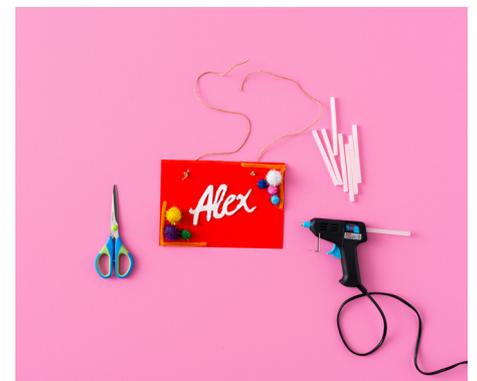
### STEP 3

Prepare the base of the sign, by cutting a piece of shiny cardboard to size.



### STEP 4

Stick the glue letters (still attached to their backing paper) to the centre of the card, then decorate.



### STEP 5

Add holes at the top and thread through the string so you can hang the sign on a door knob or onto a hook.