

Crafts 'n Snacks

A Monthly Series from Keepsake Curriculum

April

Craft: Popsicle Stick Colored Pencils

Snack: Rainbow Snack Mix

Story Ideas:

"The Day the Crayons Quit" by Drew Daywalt

"Planting a Rainbow" by Lois Ehlert

"The Crayon Box that Talked" by Shane DeRolf

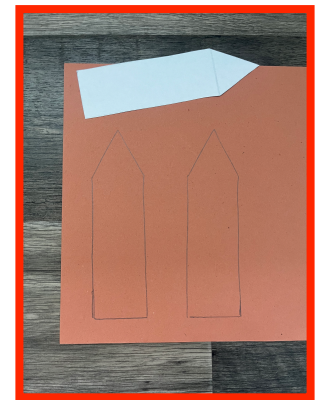
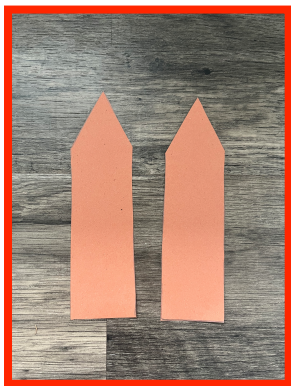
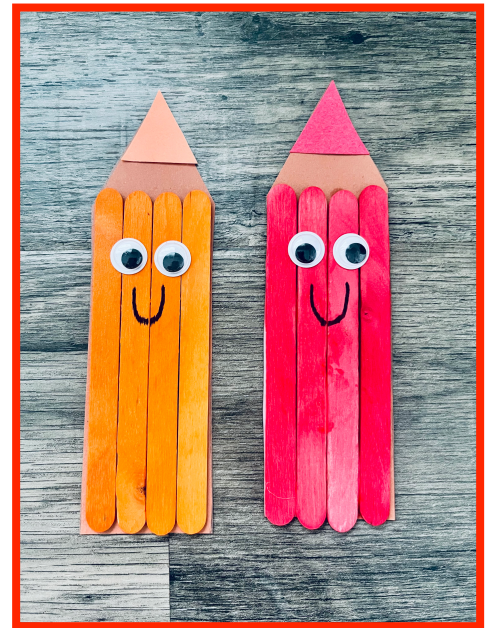
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Popsicle Stick Colored Pencils

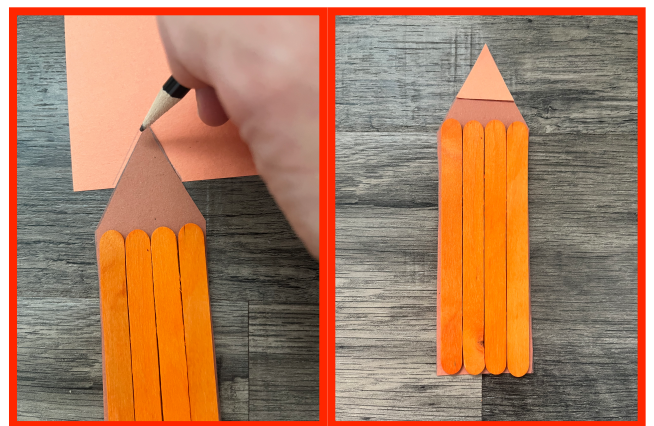
This easy craft is not only a great back to school activity and fun way to talk about colors, but it's also unbelievably cute!

Materials:

- Rainbow colored craft/popsicle sticks
- Colored construction/cardstock paper
- Black permanent marker
- Googly eyes
- Scissors
- Glue
- Colored Pencil template
- Pencil



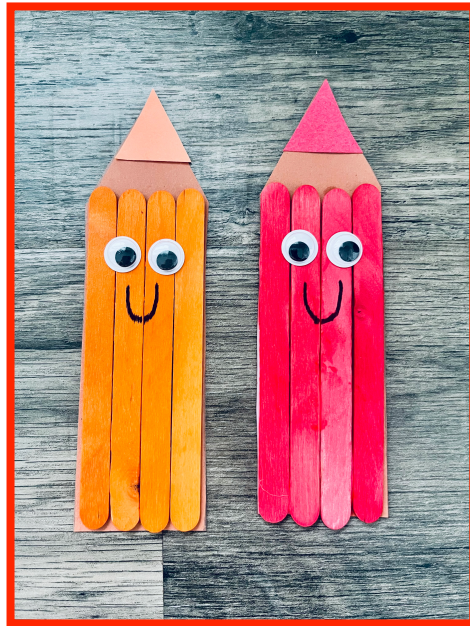
- ## Instructions:
1. Print the colored pencil template and trace as many pencils as you want onto brown construction paper.
 2. Cut out the pencils.
 3. Take 4 popsicles sticks in each color desired (4 per pencil) and glue them onto the rectangle part of the template.
 4. To make the colored tip for each pencil, take a piece of paper in the matching color of that pencil and lay it behind the tip of the template to trace a triangle.
 5. Cut out the triangle and glue it onto the pencil tip.



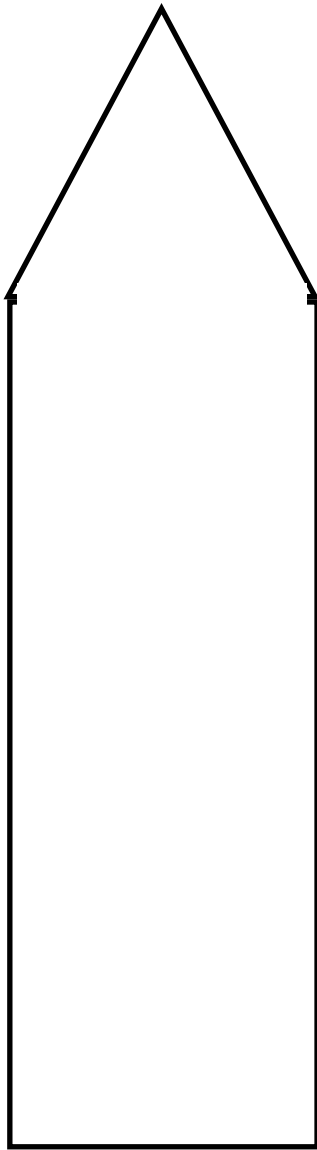


6. Repeat with any remaining pencils.

7. Glue a pair of googly eyes onto each pencil.

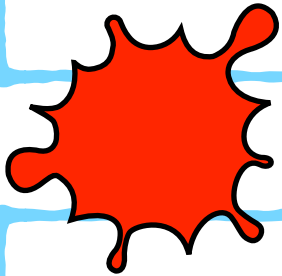


***This craft was found at madetobeamomma.com

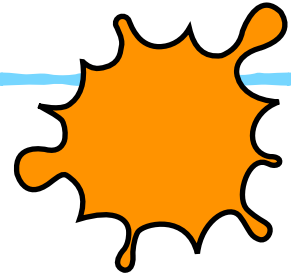


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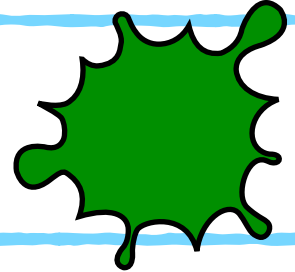
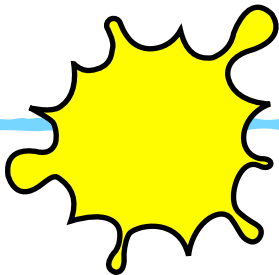
Rainbow Snack Mix



Ingredients:



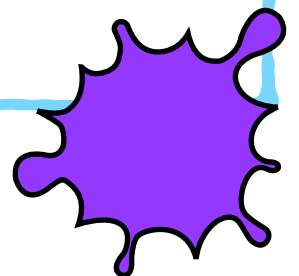
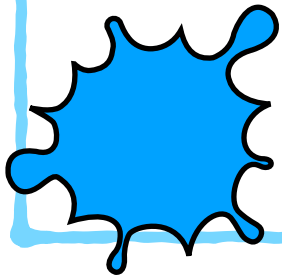
Trix cereal
Froot Loops cereal
Colored Goldfish crackers
Mini marshmallows



Directions:

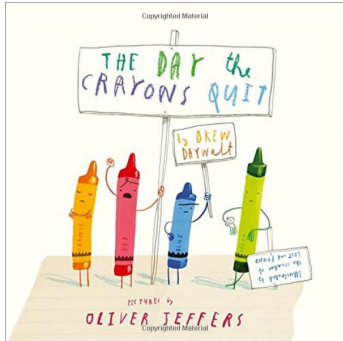
1. In a large bowl, mix equal parts of cereal and goldfish.
2. When ready to serve, mix in an equal amount of mini marshmallows.
3. Scoop into cups, bowls, or bags and enjoy!

* This recipe was found at shakentogetherlife.com

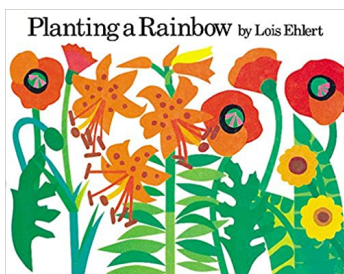


"Color" Read-Alouds for Kids

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Research as necessary before reading with your children ~~****~~



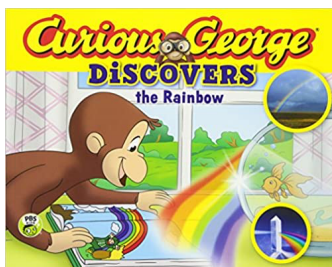
"The Day the Crayons Quit" by Drew Daywalt - Poor Duncan just wants to color. But when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters, all saying the same thing: His crayons have had enough! They quit! Blue crayon needs a break from coloring all those bodies of water. Black crayon wants to be used for more than just outlining. And Orange and Yellow are no longer speaking—each believes he is the true color of the sun. What can Duncan possibly do to appease all of the crayons and get them back to doing what they do best? (Amazon description)



"Planting a Rainbow" by Lois Ehlert - Young children will enjoy learning about colors and flowers with this new edition of one of Lois Ehlert's most popular titles in a brand-new format. (Amazon description)



"The Crayon Box that Talked" by Shane DeRolf - Yellow hates red...nobody likes orange. Will these crayons ever get along? This delightful and simple poem story from Shane DeRolf gives a fun example of cooperation and getting along.



"Curious George Discovers the Rainbow" by H.A. Rey - In this exciting new Curious George series all about discovery, George's city friends Betsy and Steve are taking their first trip to visit him in the country. When a light rain casts a stunning rainbow in the sky, George is introduced to all the beautiful colors of the spectrum! Come along as he chases the rainbow for his pot of gold and learns all about how rainbows occur and even how to create his own. Based on the Emmy-winning PBS show, this story is filled to the brim with additional facts, real photos, experiments, activities, and more. Learning about science has never been so much fun! (Amazon description)