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Cardboard Animal Mask

DESCRIPTION
Make a cardboard bunny (or raccoon) mask from an empty pasta box and become a cute animal!

MATERIALS
- Main frame of the face
  - Pasta box (or similar cardboard box), preferably with a plastic "window"
  - 1 sheet of scrap paper
  - String for the whiskers of the animal, and to tie the mask around your head
- Glue/Tape
- Pencil or Markers
- Scissors

INSTRUCTIONS
Step 1 - Break up the pasta box: First take your scissors and cut along the side of the box that doesn't have the window at the bottom. Only cut it until it looks like a long piece of cardboard. Flip it inside out so the inside of the box (without images of pasta) is facing you.

Step 2 - Make the shape of the bunny face: Using a pencil, make the outline of a bunny. Make the plastic "window" the center of the mask (that's where yours eyes will be!). The outline should be big enough to cover your face. Then, with a pair of scissors, carefully cut around your outline.
  Tip: Use google as an inspiration for different types of bunny looks (eg. a classic one with 2 buck teeth).

Step 3 - Decorate your mask: Once the mask outline is cut out, use markers to colour in the ears, draw a mouth, teeth and anything else you want on your bunny face. Then, using a scrap piece of paper, cut out a triangle for the nose, colouring it in first, then taping it onto the outline. Feel free to decorate your mask with other things – paint, crayons, etc!
  - Optional: Using the string, cut out 6 pieces of various lengths and put 3 on each side, taping them underneath the nose. You can even cut out 2 rectangles for the teeth!

Step 4 - Attach the string to hold the mask over your face: Take your scissors and CAREFULLY poke a hole on each side of the face. Ask a parent to help, as some cardboard may be tougher to poke through than others. Then, cut a long piece of string and pull it through the hole so the end is facing on the inside of the mask. Tie a knot so it is secure. Next hold the mask to your face and bring the string all the way around your head to the other end of where you will attach the string to the mask. Hold on to the place where the string meets the mask. Then, carefully let go of the mask and cut 5 cm above where the string meets the mask and pull it through and tie a knot. Voila! You have your very own bunny mask.

Are you bored of being a bunny?
Let's turn your mask into a raccoon!

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Step 1 - Remove the taped bunny nose and whiskers (if you added them). Now take the bottom half of the mask and fold it upwards taping it to the back of the box so the face becomes smaller and a new shape.

Step 2 - Flip the mask over so the bunny outline is facing you, then draw a new outline to make the ears smaller and pointier. They should start to look a bit like a raccoon!

Step 3 - Take a pair of scissors and carefully cut around your outline.

Step 3 - Next outline the colour pattern of the raccoon's face. Be creative, make your own style of raccoon! Use the plastic window as the center of the mask and continue to shape the face from there.

Optional: Reuse the whiskers from your bunny mask and make them raccoon whiskers instead!

Do you have a favourite animal? Get creative and transform your mask again!