

Make a Dog Hat!

Create a simple dog hat using paper and paint that you can use to play pretend at home!

Materials:

- o White cardstock
- o Paint (any color)
- o Sponges
- o Scissors
- o Stapler

Try it!

1. Cut two or three strips of paper with the width of 2.5" for the headband.
2. Cut two strips of paper for the ears. Shape the strips to look like dog ears.
3. Paint the ears and headband strips using a sponge.
4. Let dry.
5. Staple strips together to make a headband.
6. Staple ears onto the headband to make it look like a dog.

Guiding Questions:

- Tell me more about the dog you are creating?
- What kind of shape do our dog's ears have?
- What color ears will your dog have?

Learning Behind the Play:

- Supports fine motor skills
- Encourage decision making
- Supports pretend play

Take It Further:

If you do not have a pet, ask your child what kind of pet she/he would like to have. Talk about that pet. Make a hat that looks like that pet. If you do have a pet, ask your child what kind of other pet she/he would like to have.