

Make with the MERL

Bee Happy Flowers

You will need:

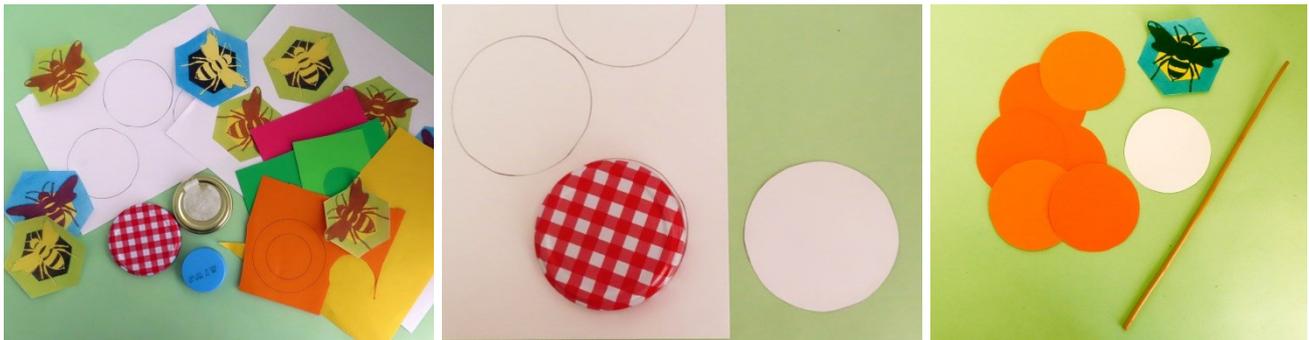
- Scrap/reused card/paper
- Printed bee sheet (below)
- Sticks or rolled paper for flower stems
- Selection of lids of different sizes**
- Scissors, ruler and pencils

** Make sure recycled materials are clean!



Method to make a Bee Happy Flower

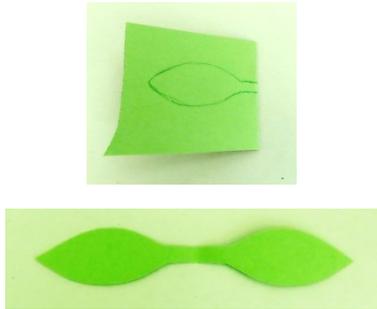
1. Gather materials and equipment. Draw circles using a jam jar lid and cut out: one on plain card for the base, then 6 circles on coloured paper/thin card for the petals. Cut out a bee from the template provided below.



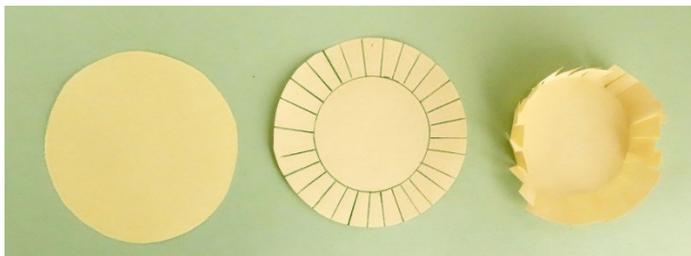
2. To assemble your bee happy flower, take the plain circle, and draw a small circle in the centre with a carton lid. Stick petals onto the plain circle around the small circle. Then stick your bee in the centre.



- Turn the flower over to put your stick on at the back with sticky tape. With a coloured piece of paper, draw in the shape of a leaf, make sure to leave enough space to cut the leaf out on a fold. Cut out the leaf and stick this to the flower stem.



- To make the centre without the bee, draw two circles one inside the other, using the jam jar lid and a smaller lid. Use a ruler to draw line sections between edges of the large and small circles. Cut along these lines and then fold the segments vertically. Stick this to the centre of the flower. Try different sizes of circles for the flower centres.



- To make a paper stem, cut a strip of paper 25cm by 5cm in size and roll diagonally around a pencil to make a tube. To secure use glue to stick the tube as you roll. Be careful to move your pencil along as you roll, as it might get stuck in the tube!



- Flower and stem made with recycled paper.



Have fun and Bee Happy crafting.



Here are some ideas for displaying your Bee Happy Flowers....

Create an amazing indoor garden.



- Decorate a pen pot
- Roll up some corrugated card board for bases
- Honeycomb packaging makes a meadow bank.



