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Butterfly Bookmark



Crayola Supplies

- Model Magic®
- Washable Markers
- School Glue

Other Supplies

craft sticks

Why?

Capture the beauty of a butterfly-in a bookmark! Mark your spot with this craft idea from The Crayola® Factory™.

How?

1. Have you watched how butterflies fly? They can light on a thin stem or the most delicate blossom. Would you like to fly, float, and flutter? Some Kung Fu experts, trapeze artists, maybe a power bungee jumper might try. But they still lack the gentle grace of a butterfly.

2. Using Crayola® Model Magic®, make a butterfly to perch inside a book to mark your place. You can create the colors you wish in two ways. Mix colors of Model Magic® together. Or cover white Model Magic® with Crayola® Washable Marker ink. Blend the marker into the modeling compound.

3. Shape your butterfly's body and delicate wings. Make it realistic, or invent your own fanciful creature. Dry overnight.

4. Attach your butterfly to a craft stick with Crayola® School Glue. Dry. You're ready to read!

When and Where Suggestions?

- "We made bookmarks after visiting a live butterfly exhibit. Kids were gently brushed by these colorful creatures." Mandie T., mom of 6-year-old.
- "Our group choreographed a dance of the butterflies. Everyone was given a bookmark at the end of the

performance." Suzette K., after-school leader.

Interesting Information

The greatest butterfly cloud ever recorded was so big that 1 million butterflies flew by every minute for a whole day.

Safety Guidelines

Safety guidelines recommend this art project is suitable for children age 4 years and older. Close adult supervision is required to ensure children's safety.

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Model Magic® and other modeling compounds: Keep finished product away from open flame. Do not mold into candleholders or other like items for use around flame. Do not put in oven, microwave, or kiln.

Related Books

An Extraordinary Life: The Story of a Monarch Butterfly by Laurence Pringle

Born To Be a Butterfly by Karen Wallace

Butterfly Alphabet by Kjell Sandved

Caterpillar, Caterpillar by Vivian French

Crinkleroot's Guide to Knowing Butterflies and Moths by Jim Arnosky

Keeping Minibeasts: Butterflies and Moths by Barbie Watts

Related Videos

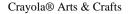
Bug City: Butterflies and Moths

The Magic School Bus: Butterflies

Related Software

Insects and Spiders: Songs About Insects, Bugs, and Spiders

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