









Shrinky Dinks Rainbow Mobile

Level C instructions

To remind your children about the story of Noah and the rainbow, help them color and cut out simple figures from the story and place them under a rainbow. The story of Noah is example of the Lord's miracles. As your children watch the magic of the Shrinky Dinks paper, you may want to talk with them about how beautiful everything must have looked after Noah and his family finally got out of the ark.

Supplies included:

-  Shrinky Dinks sheet with holes
-  White paper with pictures and guide lines
-  White cloud pipe cleaner for the base of the mobile
-  6 colored pipe cleaners for the rainbow
-  Blue string to suspend the shapes
-  Transparent white ribbon to hang the mobile
-  Bobby pin
-  Two paper clips

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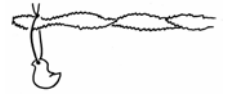
- Scissors
- Crayons and/or markers
- cookie sheet
- Tin foil or flour
- Oven
- Metal spatula

Project instructions:

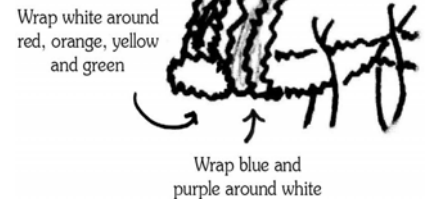
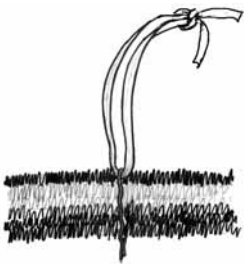
1. Place the Shrinky Dinks sheet ROUGH SIDE UP on top of the white paper with guide lines. Paper clip the Shrinky Dinks paper to the marked white paper so that it doesn't move.
2. Have your children color the rough side of the Shrinky Dinks paper heavily, using crayons and/or markers. Encourage your children to use the colors of the rainbow. They can use the simple shapes shown on the paper grid, and then create two pieces of their own design, making sure that the hole is at the top of the shape. *Children can either use one color per shape or use random coloring so that each shape is splashed with several colors. Both ways are effective.*
3. Cut shapes around each punched hole for a total of 6 shapes and discard the marked white sheet of paper. Abstract or geometric shapes work well. Wide shapes are best because narrow shapes tend to curl in on themselves and get stuck when they are baking.



4. Preheat oven or toaster oven to 325° F. (You may want to cook a scrap of the Shrinky Dinks paper as a test.) Place the shapes rough side up on a standard cookie sheet covered with tin foil (or dusted with flour).
5. Bake for 5 minutes. If possible, let your children watch them through the oven window as they shrink! The shapes will twist up while baking. At the end of 5 minutes if the shapes haven't flattened out by themselves, carefully reach in and flatten them with a metal spatula. They might need a little more baking time after that.
6. Remove and let cool.
7. Unwind the string from the white cloud pipe cleaner. Cut the string into 6 pieces.
8. Thread one piece of string through the hole in one of the Shrinky Dinks shapes. Tie the string to the white cloud pipe cleaner, as shown. Repeat with the other shapes.



9. Line up the colored pipe cleaners in rainbow order. Secure in the middle with the bobby pin. Slip the ribbon through the top of the pin or clip as shown and tie the ends together to form a loop for hanging. Curve the pipe cleaners into an arc and then fasten each end to the white cloud pipe cleaner as shown.

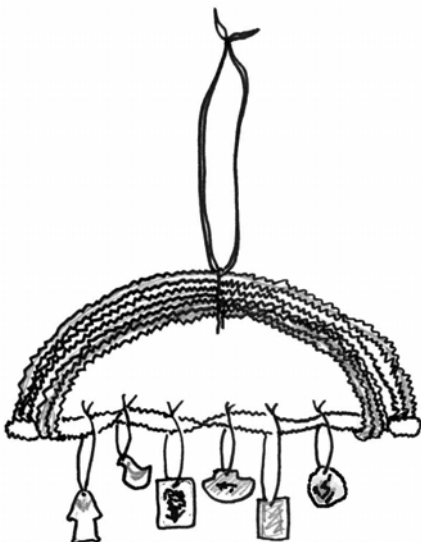


Activity instructions:

Find a nice sunny place to hang your children's mobile!

As your children enjoy the mobile, help them remember the Noah story. Remind them of the promise the Lord made to Noah and the promise that He makes to each of us to take care of us.

If your children liked working with the Shrinky Dinks paper, it is available in most craft stores or on line at www.ShrinkyDinks.com.



Store the mobile in the creation box when not in use.