

2017 Advent Festival Activity

Away In A Manger Sheep

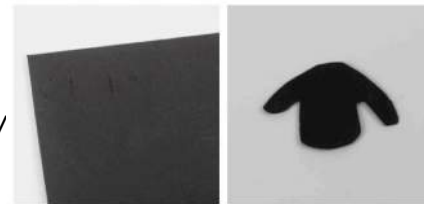
What You Need

- Cardboard or sturdy paper
- White yarn and Black yarn (or any color you want your sheep to be!)
- Black Pipe Cleaners
- Black Craft Foam or any sturdy black paper
- Googly Eyes
- Sticky dots (or Elmer's glue)
- Pompom Template (to follow)



Preparation before Activity

- Cut out several Pompom makers from cardboard (Template to follow)
- Cut out Sheep heads from the black craft foam or black sturdy paper (you may cut out just circles or use the "sheep head" template to follow)
- Cut Black Pipe Cleaners



What To Do

1. First make your Cardboard Pompom Maker. Cut out a shape that resembles a rectangle with a slit running down the middle but not all the way (Template to follow).



2. Wrap yarn several times (at least 30) around the cardboard. The more times the yarn is wrapped around, the fuller the pompom will be.



3. While the yarn is wrapped around your cardboard, tie it tightly in the middle with a small piece of yarn.



4. Slide it off the end, turn it over and tie even tighter on the opposite side.



5. Now "twist-tie" 2 Black Pipe cleaners around the yarn you just tightened so that the ends are all the same size. (These will be the sheep's 4 legs.)



6. Use your scissors to cut the looped ends. It will look very shaggy and uneven. Now it just needs a good trim, which is the secret of making a fluffy, round pompom. You may also roll the pompom around in your hands to also give it a nice, round shape.



7. Bend Black Pipe Cleaners so that they are at the bottom of pompom where legs should be.



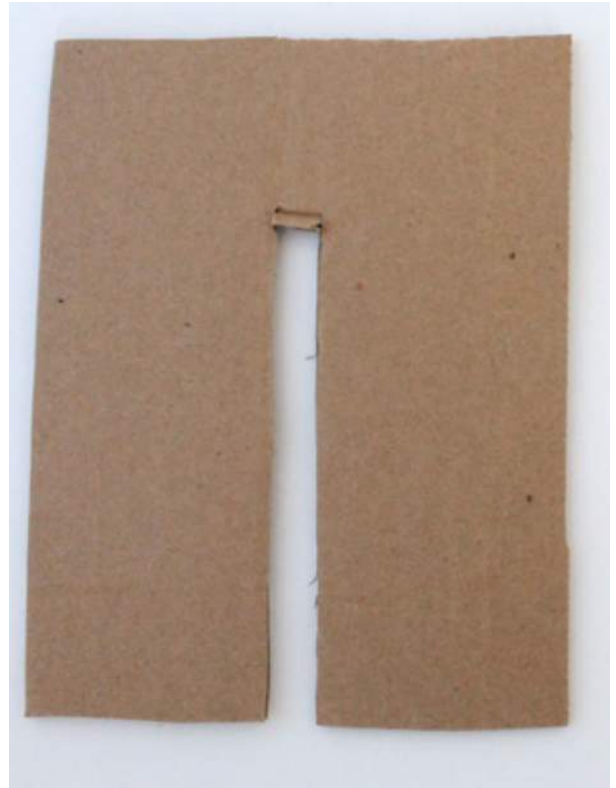
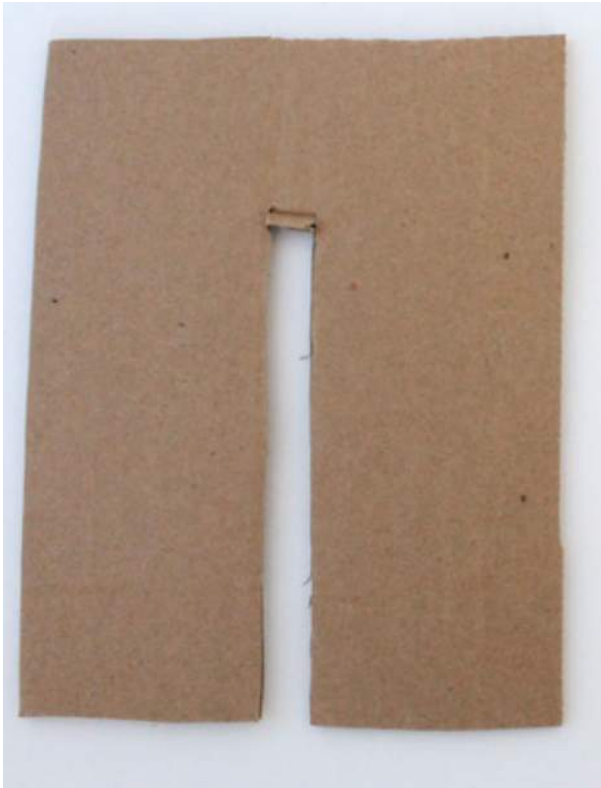
8. Stick the Googly eyes on to Black Sheep Head or Circle. (*Glue dots make this very easy!*)



9. Glue Sheep Head to front of Pompom, also using Glue dot. Fold the ends of the pipe cleaner legs to make feet for your sheep to stand on.



POMPOM CARDBOARD TEMPLATES



SHEEP HEAD TEMPLATE

