

RECYCLED PLASTIC BOTTLE PIGGY BANK

Required Materials

- ✿ bleach bottle, milk bottle or any jug style plastic bottle
- ✿ pink construction paper or felt
- ✿ craft glue
- ✿ pink crayon, peeled (not the washable kind)
- ✿ black crayon or marker
- ✿ small stick or toothpick (broken to 1 or 2 inch)
- ✿ pink chenille stick (pipe cleaner)
- ✿ scissors



Step-By-Step Procedures

Before presenting the craft to your preschooler, lay the bottle on its side with the handle side up, determine what will be the top and then make a coin slit with a knife. Make it big enough to make it easy for the preschooler. With a knife or a pick, make a small hole in the bottom for the tail.

1. Remove the lid of the jug and set it aside.
2. Let the preschool child color the entire bottle with the pink crayon to the best of his/her ability.
3. Help the preschooler trace the lid on the pink construction paper. Cut out the circle. With the black marker or crayon, make two nostrils with the black crayon. Put the lid back on the jug. Glue the circle with the nostrils to the outside of the lid with craft glue.
4. Draw an eye on the surface on each side of the bottle handle and a mouth below the opening.
5. Have the child draw two triangles for ears on the pink construction paper and cut them out. Fold the slightly for depth. Glue them to the top of the pig's head with the craft glue.
6. Your preschool child may need help with this. Attach the end of the chenille stick to the small stick or toothpick. Push the stick through the whole in the bottom of the bottle and slide the stick all the way in. Pull the chenille stick back out so that the stick is now across the hole. Curl the chenille stick around a pencil or crayon to make it curl. Fill in the hole with craft glue.
7. For feet, cut four strips of construction paper one inch wide and four inches long. Form them into circles and glue the ends. Glue them to the bottle with craft glue. For sturdier feet, you can cover four empty 25-yard thread spools with pink construction paper and glue them to the bottom of the bottle with craft glue.