

CRAFTING WITH KIDS

FOR PARENTS

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WHY CRAFT?

- Children who regularly interact with art are 4 times more likely to be academically recognized (PBS and Americans for the Arts)
- Fine motor skills are developed through crafting which is critical to child development (Kidspot.com)
- More than 80% of school districts have cut funds in the Arts leaving families to supplement learning in this area (US News)
- Crafts also have benefits for adults: by crafting you will delay the development of memory problems at old age (Time Magazine)
- 90% of moms said they would like to spend more time doing crafts, but time is a big constraint (Elmer's)

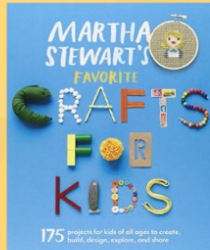
FUN IDEAS!

- Sharpie Tye-Dye
www.playdoughtoplaid.com
- Homemade Xylophone
www.cinagderosier.com
- Rainbow Sidewalk Chalk
www.learhplagihe.com
- Crystal Geodes
www.feelslikehomeblog.com
- Rainbow Window Kites
www.homerroommom.com

RESOURCES

Here are some helpful books to explore for both easy and inexpensive crafting ideas that both you and your family will enjoy!

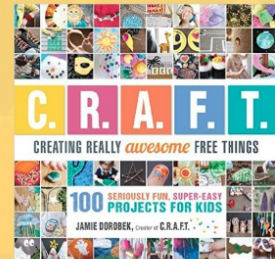
BOOKS FOR KIDS



Marta Stewart's Favorite Crafts for Kids
by Martha Stewart



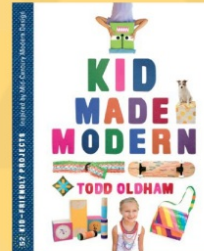
The Ultimate Craft Book for Kids
by Parragon Publishing



Creating Really Awesome Free Things
by Jamie Dorobek



Project Kid
by Amanda Kingloff



Kid Made Modern
by Todd Oldham

online RESOURCES

<http://www.family.disney.com/crafts>
<http://www.crayola.com/crafts/>
<http://www.pbs.org/parehts/crafts-for-kids>

BOOKS FOR PARENTS

Dad's Book of Awesome Projects
by Mike Adamick

Design Mom
by Gabrielle Stanley Blair

Made by Dad
by Scott Bedford

Busy Toddler: Happy Mom
by Gayle Jervis & Kristen Jervis Cacka

Creative Coping Skills for Children
(Emotional Support Through Arts and Crafts Activities)
by Bonnie Thomas

online RESOURCES

<http://www.iheartthaptime.net>
<http://www.parents.com/ftih/arts-crafts/kid>
<http://www.artfulparents.com>

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<http://www.weewisdomkids.com>

