

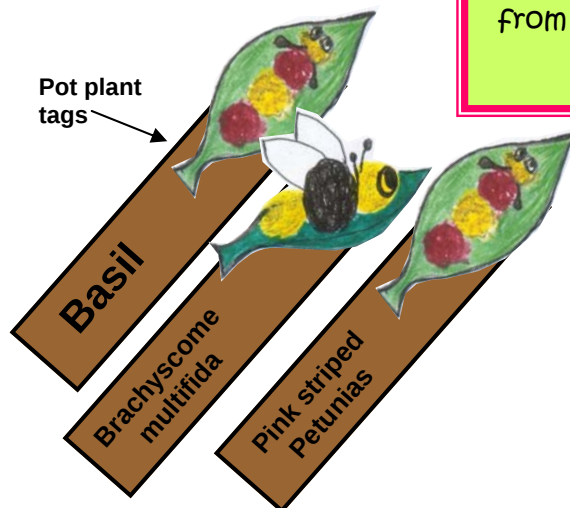
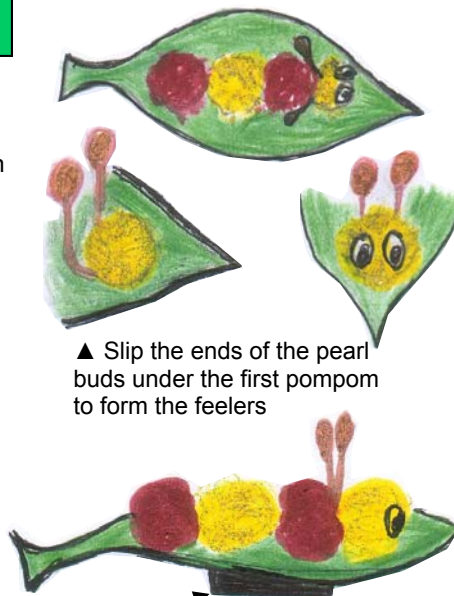
Caterpillar on a leaf

You will need: (per child)

- ♦ 1 artificial cloth leaf approx 5cm long X 3.5cm wide (you can save in the cost of these by cutting leaves from recycled artificial flowers, or cut your own from stiff green material)
- ♦ 4 X small sparkly coloured pompoms (approx 8-10mm in diameter), 2 each of 2 different colours
- ♦ 2 X 5mm wiggly eyes
- ♦ 2 X pearl buds
- ♦ craft glue
- ♦ *Optional:* magnet, springed clothes peg, thick skewer

What to do:

- ♦ Spread a thin strip of glue down the centre of the leaf.
- ♦ Place the pompoms in alternate colours in a line down the line of glue to form the body of the caterpillar.
- ♦ Bend the ends of the pearl buds and slip them under the first pompom, with the stems ending in the buds poking up between the first and second pompom to form the feelers (see diagram).
- ♦ Glue wiggly eyes onto the front pompom.
- ♦ *Optional:* When the glue on the caterpillar is dry, glue a magnet onto the back of the leaf to make a fridge magnet.



Gift ideas:

- ♦ Make a cardboard bookmark for Spring, or on an environmental theme, laminate it and glue the leaf onto the top of the bookmark.
- ♦ Mark a gift tag and glue the leaf in one corner.
- ♦ Glue the leaf onto one side of a springed clothes peg and glue a magnet on the other side, to make a clip for the fridge to hold notes etc.
- ♦ Glue the leaf onto a pop-stick or a thick skewer (the type used for toffee apples) and use as a marker in an inside pot plant – the skewer should be wide enough to write the name of the plant down the side. [Hint: varnish after writing the name so it will last longer]

To Dad
With love
from

Danny



▲ Decorate a gift tag

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