

How to make... a sheep mobile

Suitable for ages 6 - 11 independent working

Suitable for ages 3 - 5 with adult help

You will need:

- Black card
- Yellow pencil
- Thread/string
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- Glue
- Cotton wool



Sheep played a big role in the story of *Odysseus and the Cyclops*, read for us by Daniel King. Why not make your own flock to use as characters in your own version? Or hang these fluffy sheep above your bed to count, as you drift off into dreamy slumber.

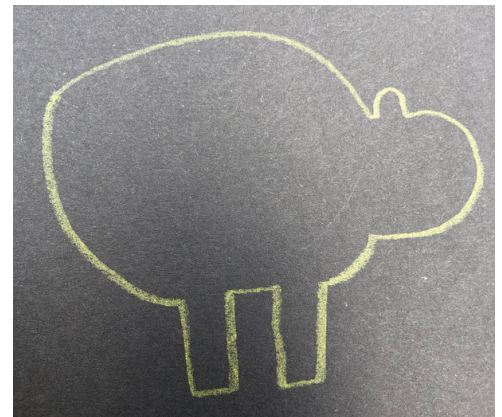
Instructions

Step 1:

Draw an outline of a sheep onto your black card in a yellow pencil (yellow shows up best). It doesn't need to be perfect as its body will be covered in cotton wool.

Step 2:

Cut out your sheep along the yellow line. Decide how many sheep you want. If you're happy with the shape of the first sheep, you can use it as a template to draw around to make your other sheep. They could also be different shapes and sizes.

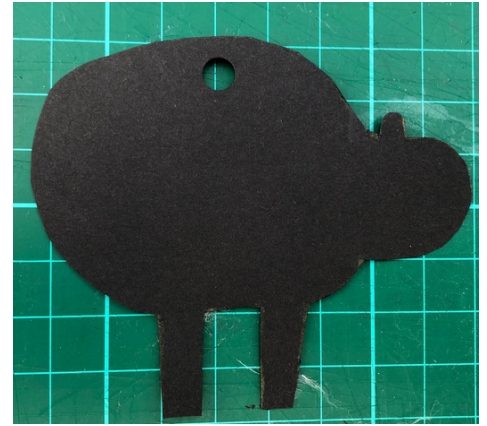


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Step 3:

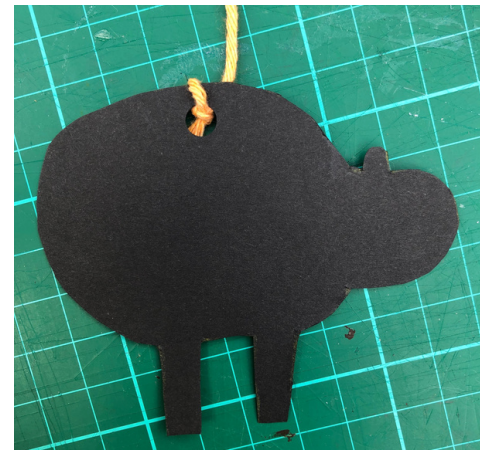
If you want to make a sheep mobile to hang above your bed, make a hole near the top of each sheep using a hole punch.

If you don't have a hole punch, carefully use your pencil tip to make a hole, but be careful not to rip the card all the way.



Step 4:

Cut a long length of thread and loop it through the hole. Tie a double knot around the top of the hole. Repeat with the others, making sure to cut the thread different lengths each time.



Step 5:

Glue all over the body, except for the head and legs.

Step 6:

Rip off bits of cotton wool, roll them into little balls and stick them all over the body, making sure to fill every gap.



Step 7:

Repeat steps 5 & 6 on the other side and with each sheep.

Step 8:

Hang the sheep in a circle from your ceiling by the thread to make your mobile. Alternatively, you can hang them from a window or a door frame.

Sweet dreams!

