

AMERICAN VILLAGE :

Step by step



SPORTS





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MAY



CRAFT

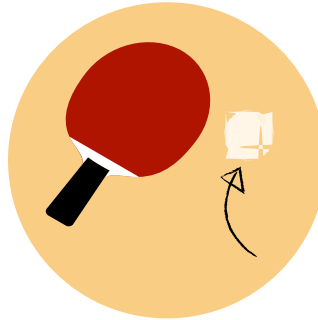
VOCABULARY



Assistant



a shoebox



a ping-pong
ball



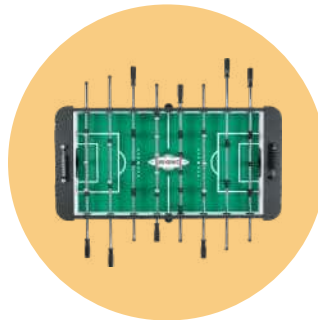
some wooden
dowels



spray paint



to glue



a foosball
table



a basketball
hoop



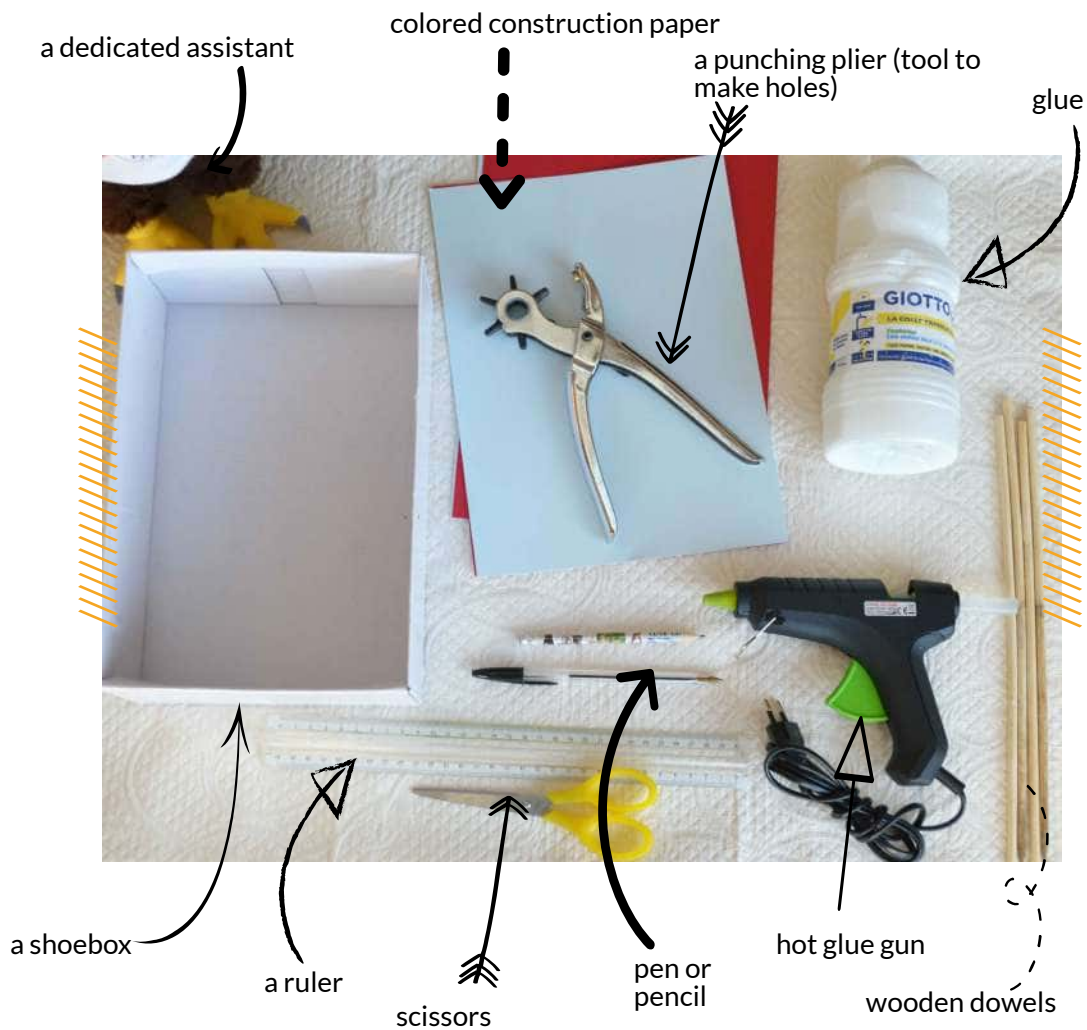
a ruler



utility knife

Let's get it started !

You need :



Step 1: Cut holes



Determine where you want to put the dowels and how many.
Here, we have one goal and two middle players so each child only needs to handle two dowels.

When you have decided, put a mark for the hole.

Be careful, you want the players to be able to move without hitting the bottom of the box.



Make the holes on your marks using a punching plier or any tool like utility knife that could help you make them (have adult help when using the knife).

Step 2 : Make the goals and customize your box



Make the goals by cutting a rectangle in each end of the box (with an adult's help). Make sure that the ping pong ball can fit through easily.

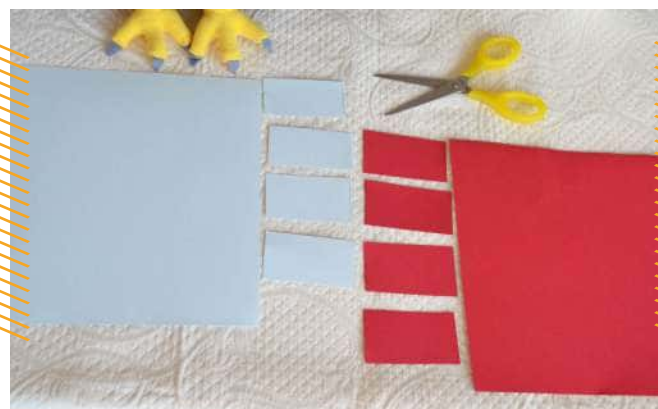


Decorate your box by painting it or by using wrapping paper. Here, we used gold spray paint.



If you want your foosball to be even more sophisticated, take some green paper and cut it out to be at the size of the bottom of your shoebox. Then, glue it.

Step 3 : Create your players



To make your players, cut out rectangles of construction paper. Use two different colors, one for each team.

You can do as many players as you want, just make sure that the players are able to move without hitting the bottom of the box but also that it is low enough to touch the ball.

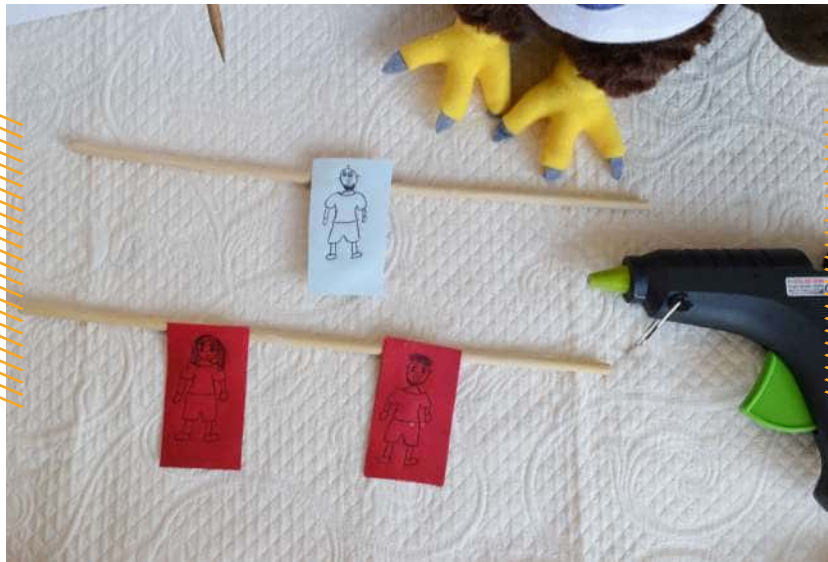


Glue the rectangles paired by two so the players are thick enough.



Then, draw on your players. Be creative !

Step 4 : Glue your players, and enjoy a foosball game !



When you have drawn all of your players, glue them in the wooden dowels.



Put the wooden dowels inside the holes and...

You are ready to play!

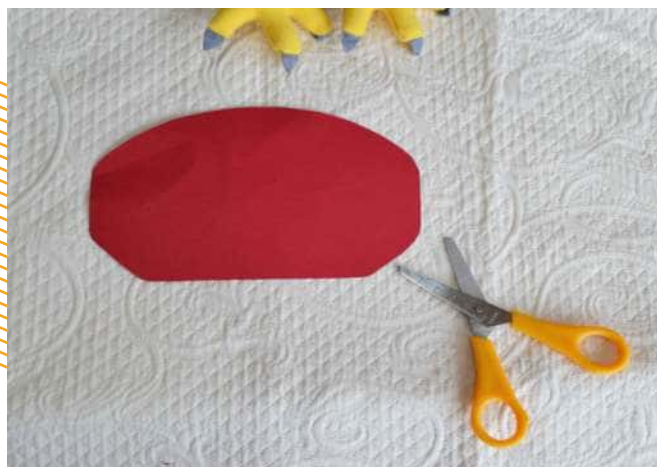
Just add a ping pong ball as a ball.

BONUS CRAFT : Create a basketball hoop :

You need :



Step 1 : Create the target of your basketball hoop :



Draw on the target of your basketball hoop in the colored construction paper of your choice. You can choose the form you want. Here we did it simple, as a classic basketball hoop.

Step 2 : Create the basket of your basketball hoop :



Using an utility knife (with an adult's help), cut out the bottom of your cup to create the rim and the net of your basketball hoop.

Step 3 : Put together the different pieces :

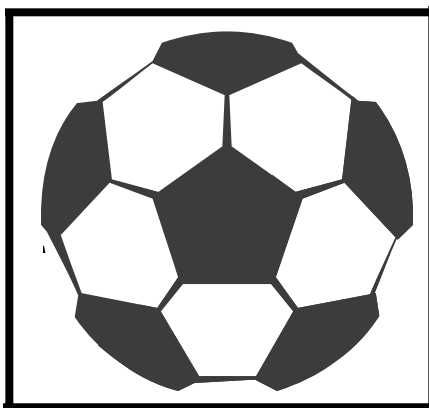
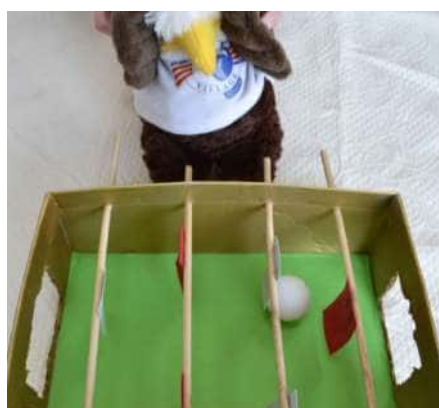


Using a hot glue gun, glue your cup to the construction paper.



Decorate your basketball hoop with whatever you want (drawings, stickers...) and just use a ping-pong ball to start a game!

There you go !

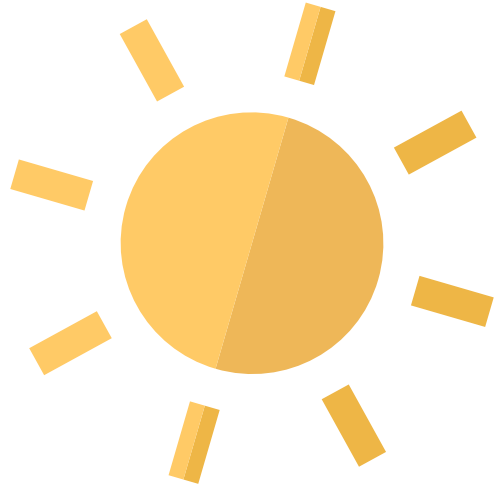


NEXT MONTH



Summer

Here comes the **summer**!
Sun, sand and the sea,
what is not to love? Learn
all about the things we
do, eat and see during the
hottest season of the year.





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