

ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AGED 8-5 YEARS OLD

Make this fun yet educational craft to show kids how the climate is changing!

Before showing you the process of the craft, we ask you to take 10 minutes and read this letter to the children.

Mother Earth herself sent it to us because she wants the message to be spread to as many children as possible!

"Dear children, I'm Mrs. Earth! I live together with other planets and stars in a very peaceful place in the universe, but I have to admit that my life is not boring at all. In fact, I am the busiest planet in the galaxy, due to the fact that I am full of life and energy. Do you already know my best friends? They are the Sun and the Moon. My good and bright friend Sun works every day so that I have light and warmth; without him my life would be dark and sad. My friend Luna always accompanies me when the sun goes away, she takes care of me during the night, she is magical and mysterious. On the other hand, I work day and night, I never rest! I have many living beings to take care of, from the smallest to the largest animals. I am also in charge of the rivers and oceans, trees and flowers. But my real passion is taking care of all the puppies and you kids. And I do it because it's super fun! Baby animals and babies are my favorite living beings because they are as creative as the universe and as full of energy as I am! Children are the most curious beings that inhabit me and I want to be a source of teaching for them. I also have many responsibilities. Taking care of every living thing is not an easy task and requires a lot of discipline and perseverance. I've been feeling weak lately and that worries me because it hasn't happened to me in millions of years. My health is slowly deteriorating. The people who live here don't realize the damage they are doing to me. They cut down my trees, fill my seas with plastic and mistreat my animals. That's why I need to reach out to you, because you are the future, and I know you will take care of me, because I will teach you how to do it!"

WHAT NEED:

- Print here the two pdfs that represent two versions of Mother Earth, one happy and the other sad.
- Scissors
- you Glue
- A plaster
- Markers
- A string
- Sheets of paper to create the arms and legs.

STEP 1

Using scissors, cut out the two figures of Mother Earth from the pdf you printed. If you want the kids to cut them out, then get scissors with a rounded tip! Afterward, cut out the thermometer and the heart.

STEP 2

Now it's time to color! We used brighter shades (lighter blues and greens) for a happy and healthy Mother Earth. While, for the sad and sick Mother Earth we used duller colors. We colored the thermometer red because it represents global warming. Finally, color the heart in the color of your choice!



STEP 3

It's now time to create the arms and legs. We used blue and green colored paper, but you can use any color you like! You can also use a blank sheet of paper and then color in the various parts. To create them, cut 4 strips of paper, about 15cm long. Once you've cut out the strips, fold them back and forth to create an accordion effect.



STEP 4

Glue the arms and legs to both Mother Earth figures. Then, attach the string to be able to hang them. After that, glue the heart to the happy Earth and the thermometer to the sad one. Finally, you can also add a plaster to the latter, as a symbol that you want to take care of your Earth!



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