

## BIRD NEST CRAFT

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Making bird nests is easy and fun for children. Items found around the house can be used for the nest. The teacher can gather and cut (if necessary) the materials, hide them around the classroom, and have the children hunt for the nest-building items. This will make it seem more like they are birds hunting for scraps to build their nests, just like in the bird world.

### SUPPLIES:

Paper plates or coffee filters

Round cardboard to put in bottom of coffee filters

Glue

Pom poms, wooden eggs, or plastic eggs that open if you want to hide something inside

A variety of different textured materials:

Construction paper cut into strips

Scraps of paper

Strips of felt

Yarn

Twine

Yarn

Craft feathers

Ribbon

String

Florist moss (this can be very messy)

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Have children “hunt” for the materials they want to use to build their nests
2. Spread some glue around the bottom of the paper plates
3. If using coffee filters, glue a piece of cardboard in the bottom first so glue doesn't seep through
4. Have the children layer their nest materials on the glue
5. Add glue as needed to hold the materials together
6. Add pom poms, wooden eggs, or plastic eggs

