**Ecology gifts**

**from recyclable materials**

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Giving a second chance to materials we consider rubbish; we imagine and create something new with them.

So, an old broken necklace, all kinds of materials, even a bottle become the source of inspiration.

Some simple but well-made creations will help us get in the spirit of recycling of materials and of course enjoy ourselves with our creations.

**Snowmen**

 



**Materials:**

* 1 empty water bottle (for body and structure).
* 1 ball made of two pages A4, in the shape of a ball (for the head).
* 1 old socks, spread with glitter or gold-dust (for the beany).
* 1 piece of white cotton (the material we fill pillows with), to wrap around the body.
* Buttons, beads or pins (for eye and body decoration).
* Large ribbon or a piece of cloth (for a scarf).
* A piece of paper or cloth small triangular roll for the nose.
* Wet glue, scissors.

The most beloved creation from young children and older ones. Have fun!!!



**Little snakes**



**Materials:**

* 1 old tie (in good condition).
* 1 piece of pink, red or orange cloth (for the tongue}.
* Needle and thread and crystallized glue (it becomes transparent when it is dry).
* A small quantity of soft material or paper or the material we stuff the pillows with, of course to fill the body of the tie slowly.
* Buttons, beads, pins, glitter, for body and eye decoration.

We can use it as a toy for children’s room or a stop for the door.

**Charms**



**Materials:**

* Broken jewelery, beads, ribbons, colorful strings.
* Clay

Each and every ribbon tied with a loop and decorated with anything we imagine, easily gives us a decoration for the tree or tasteful present as a charm for the New Year.



**Biscuit-children out of cork**

**Materials:**

* Level cork , preferably not very thick.
* Glittered glues, tinsel, beads, gold and silver crayons.

Beautifully simple, impressive creation at minimum cost.

**Beautiful cards - Prints**



Linocut

Work of a 4th Grade pupil

**Materials:**

* Stencil, made of plastic surface, or hard cardboard, hardened with glue.
* It can be done with vegetable prints such as potato, cut in different shapes with the use of water-colours.
* Also it can be made with an engraved print. An example is linocut printed on any paper by hand.

We stick our print on a cardboard folded in the middle and the card is ready!

**Wreaths**

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* Wreaths made of newspaper (The inner part) and wrapped up with beautiful materials.
* Also, broken branches of synthetic fir tree, tied in a circle, give the basis for beautiful wreaths.

The decoration is made with pine-cones, nuts, golden painted. With ribbons, ties, clothing materials and recycled children’s ornaments. It gives an excellent result quickly and without expenses.



**Balls for the Christmas tree**

Materials:

* Any kind of crumpled paper in the shape of a little ball.
* They can be painted with anything and of course be decorated according to our good taste.
* Tinsels and beads, ribbons and strings, old metal objects which can be glued together creating infinite combinations

Creations that will be visualized without buying anything!



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