

**You will need:**

- Construction paper
- Paint
- Markers
- Tissue paper
- Toilet paper roll (or paper towel roll)
- Bubble wrap
- Glue
- Scissors



**Directions:**

1. Tape a small piece of bubble wrap (bumpy side out) onto the end of a toilet paper roll. Brush or dip whatever colors you want your beehive to be onto the bubble wrap. Stamp all over a piece of white paper.
2. Once the paint has dried, cut out a beehive shape.
3. With paint or marker, draw the beehive entrance.
4. Tear a strip off of a piece of brown construction paper, making the tear wider at one end and narrower at the other end to make a tree branch. Repeat with a smaller tear to make a smaller branch. Glue both pieces onto a whatever color paper you want to use as your background.
5. Glue your hive onto the smaller branch.



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



Step 4



Step 5

6. Cut out leaf shapes and glue to your branches. You can also cut out flower shapes to add too.



7. Dip your thumb or a finger in yellow paint and press onto the paper making as many bees as you want.



8. Cut wings out of tissue paper and glue onto your bees.



9. Once the paint is dry, using paint or marker decorate your bees!



**You will need:**

- Tin can
  - Paint
  - Plastic bottle
  - Bottle caps (plastic or metal)
  - String or yarn
  - Beads or buttons
  - Hammer
  - Nail
  - Glue
  - 2 screws
  - Scissors
  - Hole punch
- Optional:**
- Wiggly eyes
  - Red chenille stick
  - Utility knife



**Directions:**

1. Paint the sides of your tin can yellow and the end black or yellow, your choice.
2. Once the yellow paint has dried, paint on black stripes.
3. While you are waiting for the paint to dry, cut 2 wings out of your plastic bottle.
4. If you have a hole punch, make 2 holes on the end of one wing. Place that wing over the other and with a marker, mark where the holes will go on the second wings and punch out. If you don't have a hole punch, just cut an X out using a utility knife.
5. Place the holes of one of the wings centered on the can and mark the holes with a marker. With an adult's help, place a nail over the mark and hammer the nail through the can to create a hole. Repeat for the other mark.



6. Make 6 more holes on the opposite side of the can from the 2 holes you just made. These 6 holes will be for the legs, so make 3 pairs of holes.



7. Cut six 6-8" pieces of string or yarn. Push a piece through 1 of the 6 holes and pull through so you can reach the end of the sting through the open end of the can. Tie a large knot on that end then pull the non-knotted end so the knot is against the hole but cannot pull through the hole. Repeat with the other 5 pieces of string.



8. Tie 2 beads or a button on the end of each of the 6 strings to make the bee's feet.



9. Cut a 24" piece of string. Line the holes of the wings up so the non-holed ends are on opposite sides. Thread the string through one side of the wings and through one of the holes in the top side of the can. Pull the string through until it comes out the open end of the can and tie a large knot. Thread the other end of the string through the other side of the wings and the 2nd hole in the can and make a large knot. Glue the wings to the can.



10. Glue 2 bottle caps (plastic or metal) onto the closed end of the can and either paint on eyes or glue on wiggly eyes. Either paint on a mouth or glue on a small piece of red chenille stick as the mouth. These are just suggestions, use whatever materials you have around your house to decorate your bee's face!



11. Make 2 holes with the nail above the eyes and screw in old screws for your bee's antennae. Then get busy hanging your bee!



12. Show us what all the buzz is about on our Facebook group "Adventures in EdZOOcation" or tag the North Carolina Zoo at # NCZOO or # NCZOOED.