

Monster Boxes

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The Best Ideas For Kids



Simple Supplies:

- Tissue Box
- Colored Acrylic Paint
- White Acrylic Paint
- Paint Brushes and Painting Supplies
- Googly eyes
- White Cardstock
- Large Pom Poms
- Black Marker
- 1 Popsicle Stick (Optional for Purple Monster)
- Craft Knife (Optional & for Adult Use Only)
- Glue

*Tip – Hot glue is always going to work best when working with large googly eyes and pom poms, but you can also use an extra-strong glue Elmer's X-Treme School Glue. Just make sure to let it thoroughly dry and press and hold for the glue to take.

How To:

1. Pull out any plastic inner lining inside the tissue box before you start.
2. Paint the outside of the tissue box with white paint to prime the box. Adding the white paint will make sure the design of the tissue box doesn't show through the paint.
3. Once dry, paint the outside of the tissue box a color of your choice, and paint the inside a different color.
4. Outline around the "mouth" of the monster (the opening of the tissue box) with a black marker. This will make the mouth pop more.
5. For the purple box, cut 1 popsicle stick in half. Paint the pieces purple and let them dry. Glue 2 small googly eyes to the sticks. Make a small slit mark at the top of the box with the craft knife (adults should help with this part) to push the sticks in.
6. Glue large googly eyes to the top of the tissue box. You can add one, two, three or more eyes!
7. Cut out large teeth from paper or white cardstock. Glue the teeth to the inside of the tissue box mouth.
8. Give your monsters a little more character by gluing some large pom poms to the top of the tissue boxes.

Fun Things To Try:

1. The Personal Touch Challenge – Have your kids draw out and design their own, customized monsters. Then when their plans are ready, have them build their monsters and test their designs.
2. Alternative Monsters – Use other materials to create monsters for every occasion. Whether these new monsters the "rock" stars of your life or if they come from the core of the highly valuable and rare bathroom tissue rolls. Be creative and let the fun begin!