

#40 - Santa Suit

Grade Level: K – 6



Objective

Create a seasonal art project to give away as gifts or to decorate your home.

Time

Approximately 1 hour

Materials

- Colored construction paper
- Wallpaper scrap or leftover wrapping paper
- Ornament hanger or other small gauge wire
- Cotton balls
- Scissors
- Glue
- Brown marker
- Lots of imagination!

Procedure

Winter fun has just begun with this fashion statement!!!

1. Use a 12"x18" piece of black construction paper for the back. Layer an 11"x17" green piece on top. Using a piece of wallpaper or leftover wrapping paper (10 1/2"x16 1/2") cover the green paper for Santa's (or your) closet.
2. Use a small piece of brown construction paper to make a clothes rack. Use a colored marker to add small dots to simulate wooden pegs.
3. Cut Santa's suit or your own snow or ski outfit, from colored pieces of construction paper. Think of how you want your design to be. Will it be a classic Santa suit or something more contemporary? Add

laces to his boots using small string or thin yarn and use gold and black paper for his belt. Don't forget cotton balls; they can be added to his suit as is, or you can gently pull them apart to elongate the cotton for trimming the suit and boots.

4. Once you have glued Santa's suit, cut an arm out of paper. See our photo with Santa's arm reaching in to take his suit out of the closet for the holidays OR put his suit away until next year! Think about the size of the suit and determine what scale his arm should be cut. Take your time with the fingers. Younger children may want to draw the arm and hand first and then cut it.

5. Fashion a wire clothes hanger from a leftover ornament hanger or other wire. Once the glue has dried, you can turn the suit over and add the wire hanger to the back. Make sure it is sticking out in the appropriate place and that it is long enough to "hang" on the wooden peg. Glue it to the back of the suit. Let it dry and glue the suit to the closet in the right spot.