

Curly Birds



Materials:

- construction paper (if available) or any type of paper
- scissors
- glue
- pencil, pen or marker (to make the curls)

Activity:

- Cut multiple paper strips. Try cutting specific dimensions and then try experimenting with different sizes for various sizes of birds! If you have a ruler, start with these measurements for your first bird:
 - Each strip should be approximately 2cm wide with differing lengths. So here's a guide to the lengths:
 - Body: 5cm, 7.5cm, 10cm, 12.5cm, 15cm
 - Tail: 6cm, 8cm, 10cm, 12cm, 14cm
 - Head: 6cm, 8cm
 - Beak: 5cm
 - Eyes: 3cm x 2.5cm
- Once you have all your strips cut, start with the body. Lay the strips on top the other, from largest to smallest. Every second strip, leave a 2mm gap to allow you room to curl each piece over and glue it.
- Once you have them all glued, start from the top and curl each piece over, gluing it in place. You should end up with concentric circles.
- Now make the tail. Lay each one on top of the other, longest to shortest. Glue them in place. Use a pencil to curl the end of each tail feather.
- Now make the head the same way: use two strips to make two concentric circles.
- The beak will be one piece of yellow (or whatever you prefer), glued into a circle and then fold three corners to form it into a triangle.
- For the eyes, just roll up the piece of black or colored paper really tightly.
- Now glue everything together. Watch the video if you need some hints on how it all goes together.
- Once you've got the hang of it, make a whole flock of curly birds 😊

Here is a video to watch a curly bird being made: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TctotkQixtM>