

ECO-ART PROJECT: BOTTLE CAP ANIMALS

Turn your bottle caps into animals with this fun art project. For a bit of extra flare, you can even ask students to create animals themed for a special holiday, school mascot, or upcoming event. We've provided some basic instructions below, so share the bottle caps your school has collected and let your students' imaginations run wild!

What You'll Need:

- Bottle caps
- · Tempera or craft paint
- · Small sheets of recycled foam, card stock or paper
- Permanent markers
- Craft glue
- · Wiggly eyes
- Magnet (Optional)
- Scissors

What to Do:

- 1. Paint two bottle caps the color of the animal's body and head.
- 2. Draw eyes on one bottle cap using a black permanent marker, or glue-on small wiggly eyes.
- 3. Glue the bottle caps to a sheet of foam or card stock.
- 4.Cut out shapes to represent the animal's legs, tail and ears, etc. from construction paper.
- 5. Glue the shapes to the bottle caps, foam or card stock.
- 6. Add finishing touches to the animal with a permanent marker or other decorations.
- 7. For additional options, you can turn this creation into a card or magnet.

Safety tips: For younger students, encourage that they cut big shapes to represent the body parts of the animal so as not to cut themselves with scissors. When painting the bottle caps, remind your students to be careful and cautious – sometimes the caps will have jagged edges!

