

BIRD FEEDER

Purpose: To discover re-use opportunities for milk cartons that would otherwise be garbage.

8⁺ yrs

Materials:

- Rinsed 1 or 2 litre milk carton.
- String.
- White glue.
- Stapler.
- Scissors (or "exacto" knife with adult supervision).
- Ruler.
- Pen.
- Bird Seed.

1 hr

Procedure:

1. Glue or staple top of carton shut.
2. Mark a 2 cm frame around each side.
3. Poke a hole and cut to corners.
4. Cut out frames on each of the four sides.
5. Tie string to top of carton.
6. Fill with bird seed and hand outside.

Extension:

Use a milk jug to make a bird feeder.

Decorate with small pieces of masking tape and brown paint.

Reinforcement;

Discuss the benefit of extending the life of a material by reusing it for something else before disposing of it.