



Outdoor Box - Milk Bottle Water Cans

This activity is for Beavers but any section or leaders could take part too !

What you need:

- Empty milk bottles and lids
- Wooden board
- Hammer
- Nails (various thickness)
- Permanent marker pens



How to make it:

Before you start make sure you wash out the milk bottles thoroughly with hot soapy water and leave with the lids off to dry, this will make sure they do not smell.

1. Place the lids upside down on the wooden board and use nails to make a number of holes in the lids (6 to 8 holes per lid). Depending on the size of the nail used, the water will pour at different speeds.
2. Next take the milk container and make one hole at the top of the handle to allow air to get into the bottle as water is poured. This will help the water flow freely.
3. Make sure the outside of the bottle is completely dry and then decorate with patterns using the permanent marker pens. Allow to fully dry.
4. Fill the container with water and replace the lid tightly.
5. Get watering !

Take it further:

You could make a variety of sizes of watering cans by using 1-pint, 2-pint and 4-pint milk containers and give these as gifts with a packet of seeds for family, neighbours and friends.

Safety Notes:

Scissors / Sharp Objects: Supervise young people appropriately when using scissors. Store all sharp objects securely, out of the reach of young people.

Rubbish and Recycling: All items should be clean and suitable for this activity.

Gardening and Nature: Wash your hands after the activity has finished and wear gloves if needed.