



PRAISING SONGBIRDS

Ezra 3:11 tells us that the Jews sang to the Lord in praise and thanksgiving when the temple foundation was laid. Birds love to sing to the Lord, too. That's why we call them songbirds! We can sing praises to the Lord just like the songbirds do!

YOU WILL NEED:

- Aluminum Foil
- Brush for Glue
- Masking Tape
- Colored Feathers
- ¼" Diameter Straws
- ¼" Bamboo Skewer or Wooden Dowel
- Black Marker
- Plastic Cup
- School Glue
- Scissors
- Water
- Toothpick
- Craft Knife
- Hot Glue Gun



DIRECTIONS:



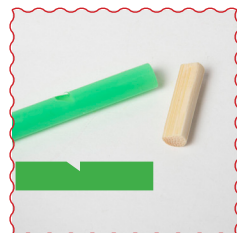
1. Cut a 1" piece from the bamboo skewer. Carefully trim off a thin strip to make the piece flat on one side.



5. You should hear a whistling sound. If it doesn't work the first time, try adjusting the size of the hole using a new straw. When it whistles, you can glue the skewer piece in place.



9. Trim small pieces of the soft down from the feathers. Apply glue all over the bird's body, except the beak and eyes. Roll the bird in the down pieces.



2. Make a cut in the straw one inch from the end, then cut in at a 45 degree angle to take out a small piece.



6. Form the body of a bird from aluminum foil. Cut off the tip of the bamboo skewer and 2 small pieces to form the beak and eyes. Attach them to the bird's head.



10. Gently press the fluff to the body until the body is all covered.



3. Slide the piece of skewer into the end of the straw. If it doesn't fit, trim away a little more of the bamboo.



7. Cover the body all over with small pieces of masking tape. Mount the bird on a toothpick.



11. Glue a few feathers to the sides for wings. Color the beak and eyes with a black marker. Glue a small piece of straw on the outside of the cup and place toothpicked bird into the straw.



4. Pinch the bottom of the straw shut and blow into the top that has the skewer inside.



8. Glue some feathers on the bird's tail.



12. Pour water into the glass. Put the end of the whistle into the top of the water and blow. Enjoy whistling like a songbird.