



ACADEMY SCIENCE CAMP

from home

Stick Insects

Walking sticks vary considerably in size according to their species. They average only a couple of inches in length, but the largest species, Kirby, can reach an impressive 21 inches in length.

Know before you begin

- This activity can be done inside or outside
- All supplies are easy to find, substitute or leave out entirely
- Adult supervision is recommended
- Please choose a safe space to play

Materials

- Googly eyes
- Glue dots
- Pipe cleaners (1 long, 5 short)

Instructions

1. Choose one long pipe cleaner and five short ones.
2. Wrap three short pipe cleaners around a fourth long one to make six legs (see example), and another short pipe cleaner around the end to make a head and antennae.
3. Use the glue dots to affix the googly eyes.
4. Practice moving your stick insect like a stick waving in the breeze.

