every drop counts

Recycling Scrap Paper Craft

At home craft for children

Materials

- Scrap construction paper, any color, any size
- Newspaper
- Bowl
- Blender or immersion blender
- Water
- Towels
- Window screen
- Plastic cutting board

Procedure

- 1. Rip your scrap paper and newspaper into small pieces, the smaller the better, and place into a bowl.
- 2. Add water to the scrap paper pieces.
- 3. Squish the water and paper around and let it soften, the softer the paper, the easier it will be to blend.



4. Have an adult pour the mixture into a blender to blend, or if you have an immersion blender, blend it in the bowl.



5. Put towels under your window screen on a flat surface.



6. Press the water out of the pulp mixture with a smooth dish cloth.



7. Flip onto a cutting board and let dry for 1-2 days.



8. Cut the dried paper into whatever shape you like (hearts, triangles, etc.), you can add ribbon to them to make them into ornaments, bookmarks, or just little trinkets.



Takeaway:

This is fun, hands on craft to help children try their hand at recycling and learn how it works.

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