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STICK FOLK!

All you need are twigs and small sticks, some colorful string, a little glue, and you can make all sorts of characters. Add other bits like ribbon, paper, small leaves, tinfoil, fabric, glitter to make an original creation. Can you make stick superhero? Sure! Stick critters? Absolutely! A whole village of stick folks? Why not!

Supplies in kit

- a variety of colored string, yarn, and threads

What you’ll need from home

- sticks and twigs.
- liquid school glue
- colored paper, markers, paints, leaves, flowers, ribbon, etc!

Directions

1. Gather sticks/twigs of different lengths.

2. Scraping or rubbing the bark off the twig is optional but can help when gluing on the string and other materials. I used a CLOSED pair of junior scissors to scrape off the tougher bits of bark.
3. Using your finger or a brush, add glue to a section of your twig and begin wrapping the string. It should be sticky and you might want a damp towel nearby for your fingers. The glue will dry clear on the string and twig so feel free to add it as you go along.

4. When you have added as much string as you like to your figure, it’s time to add any extra details as you can imagine. In this case, I have decided to draw a face on the part where the bark was and to add some arms. Enjoy your creations!

**BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS**

*Stick and Stone* by Beth Ferry  
*Stick Man* by Julia Donaldson  
*The Witch’s Walking Stick* by Susan Meddaugh  
*Anansi and the Magic Stick* by Eric A. Kimmel  
*Coyote and the Fire Stick: A Pacific North West Indian Tale* by Barbara Diamond Golden

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