

# CRAFT KITS FROM THE PROVIDENCE ATHENÆUM'S CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

## A LUCKY LEPRECHAUN!

*Leprechauns live in all sorts of secret places where they can hide along with their gold. One favorite hiding spot is the hollow trunk of a fairy tree. You can make your own magical fairy tree trunk complete with a gold-carrying leprechaun and lucky shamrocks!*



### Supplies in kit

- 1 paper cup
- 1 craft stick
- 1 strip of green paper
- 1 green leprechaun jacket
- 1 black strip (hat band)
- 1 gold buckle decoration
- 1 gold "coin"
- 3 tiny gold "buttons"
- 1 white circle "head"
- 1 pair of white "hands"
- 1 orange circle "beard"
- shamrock stickers

### What you'll need from home

- glue stick/school glue
- tape
- scissors
- markers/crayons

### Directions

1. Color the outside of the paper cup to add a tree trunk-like texture. Snip along the edge of the green paper to resemble grass, and decorate the trunk with shamrocks.



2. Tape one end of the grass to the cup. Wrap the rest around the cup and tape. Curl the grass away from the trunk.



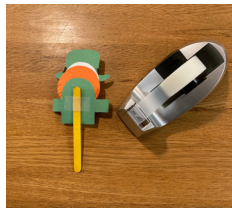
3. Now assemble the leprechaun pieces! Begin by gluing the head to the beard and the hat on the head. Carefully snip the edges of the beard. Feel free to draw on the face.



4. Glue the black hat band onto the hat tucking the long ends behind the hat. Add the gold buckle to the hat band. Glue the head to the jacket and add the buttons and hands.



5. Glue the "coin" to the hands. Turn the leprechaun over and tape the craft stick to the back. Slide the craft stick into the slit on the paper cup. Now your leprechaun is happily back home in his magic tree trunk!



## BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

*Jamie O'Rourke and the Big Potato* by Tomi DePaola

*A Fine St. Patrick's Day* by Susan Wojciechowski

*Clever Tom and the Leprechaun* by Linda Shute

*That's What Leprechauns Do* by Eve Bunting

*The Hungry Leprechaun* by Mary Calhoun



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