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

## FLOATING CORK BOAT!

Ahoy, matey! This little watercraft will sail the high seas of your bathtub, kitchen sink, or wading pool.

### Supplies in kit

- 3 corks (one cork has a hole for the mast marked on it)
- 2 rubber bands
- 1 paper sail with pre-cut notches
- 1 cotton swab
- colored dots

#### What you'll need from home

- colored markers, pencils, or crayons to decorate the sail. (optional)
- water to float your boat on

#### **Directions**

1. Decorate the sail with the dots or any other materials that you choose.



2. Wrap the rubber bands around the corks.







**NOTE for adults:** Add the rubber bands to either side of the line of corks to hold them in place. The corks can be tricky to



wrap. Because they are rounded, the first rubber band can cause them to stack up (see above). If that happens just push them down until they lie flat. The cork with the hole on top should be in the center facing up as pictured.

3. Slip the fluff-less end of the swab through the two holes in the sail. Next push the swab firmly into the hole in the top of the center cork and now your sturdy vessel is ready to sail the high seas! If you have more corks, paper, swabs, and rubber bands at home you can make a fleet!



#### **BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Circus Ship, Bee by Chris VanDeusen
Ship Shapes by Stella Blackstone
Ship Ahoy! by Peter Sis

The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship: A Russian Tale by Arthur Ransom

Sal Boat: a Boat by Sal by Thyra Heder



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