

DIY Parachute



What Do I Need?

- A bin liner
- String
- Scissors
- A ruler/tape measure (to measure the materials accurately)
- Sticky tape
- A small plastic toy figure (like a soldier) to be the parachutist, or some pipe cleaners to make one

How Do I Do It?

1. Cut a 30 cm square out of your bin liner.
2. Make a hole in each corner.
3. Cut 4 lengths of thin string, each 30 cm long.
4. Feed a piece of string through a hole in one of the corners of the bag and tie a knot in one end to secure it in place.
5. Repeat this for each corner so you have one string on each corner of your bin bag square.
6. The strings need to be the same length. Hold all four corners of the parachute together where you've tied the strings. Pull the strings straight and tie them together, about 5 cm away from the loose ends.
7. If you haven't got a small toy you could make one with pipe cleaners, making a loop for the head and bending the pipe cleaners to make arms and legs.
8. Attach the loose ends of the string to the toy figure. If your toy is light you may need to add some weight to help it work. Some modelling clay will work well.

Skill Level:

Easy

Time

10 minutes

Create your own parachute!