## RAINBOW MOBILES

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When things are feeling a bit overcast, there's nothing better than making your own rainbows. Using supplies that you have at home, make a beautiful rainbow mobile to hang in your window. It'll brighten up your day & bring a smile to all your neighbors too.

#### Materials needed:

Cardboard or cardstock base (try old cereal boxes!)

Paint or markers (watercolor, acrylic, etc.)

Paintbrush & water jar, if using paint

Twine, yarn, or fishing line for hanging

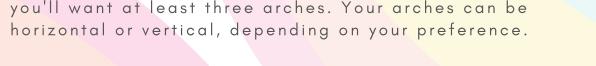
Scissors & felt-tip pen to outline



- Trace a rainbow onto your cardboard using the felt-tip pen you'll want at least three arches. Your arches can be horizontal or vertical, depending on your preference.
- Using scissors, carefully cut out your arches. If you're using corrugated cardboard, check that the holes in the cardboard are aligned vertically this will help with hanging later on.
- Next, let's add color! Acrylic paint works best on cardboard, but you can also use watercolor paint, markers, and even crayons or colored pencils. We like two colors on each arch!
- Let the paint dry (if using), then flip your arches over and paint the other side as well. You can stick to the same colors as the front side, or try something new!
- Time to connect our arches! For corrugated cardboard, push your string through the holes in the cardboard (a skewer or toothpick works well). After you've pushed it through one arch, double knot the string, then pass it through the next arch. Repeat!
  - For cardstock or cereal boxes, you can use a hole punch or a skewer to punch a hole in the top of each arch, then pass your string through the hole & tie a knot. Or try using tape, glue, or a stapler to attach your string!
- Once your arches are all hanging together, your mobile is ready to hang! We love to put them in our windows, but you can hang them above your bed or outside if you'd like. Enjoy!

# RAINBOY MOBILE

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