



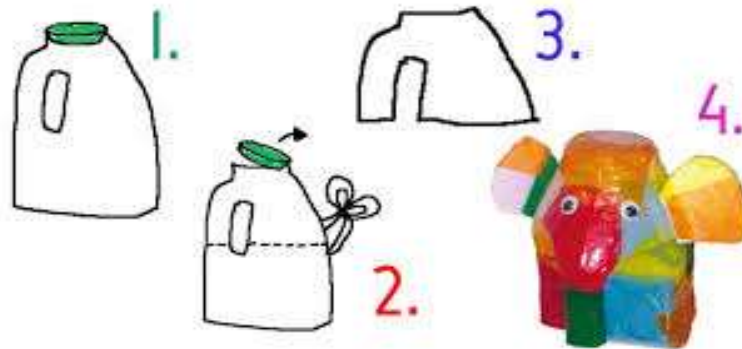
### Materials needed for this milk jug Elmer elephant craft:

- 1 (or more) empty and clean milk jug containers
- scissors
- brightly coloured tissue paper cut into equal size and shape squares
- If you don't have coloured paper you could use newspaper, magazines, wrapping paper, wall paper, envelopes, brown paper, tin foil etc..
- PVA/ white glue or make your own with flour – follow these instructions.
- White card, black pen and brushes

To make your glue take a large bowl and mix one part sieved flour with one part of water (eg. 1 cup flour and 1 cup water, or 1/2 cup flour and 1/2 cup water) until you get a thick glue-like consistency.

If you think it's too thick just add a bit more water a teaspoon at a time. Mix well with a wooden spoon to get rid of all the lumps. Finally, add a few tablespoons of salt to help prevent mould.

Stand the milk jug up and cut into it just below the handle. This will form the elephant's trunk. Then cut off the entire bottom half of the jug and cut four legs into it, as well as a little tail. Done!



Where some of the colours overlapped the colours occasionally bled into each other, but this looked lovely and we agreed that it improved his design even more! Once they were covered they added another wash of glue over the top to make it dry hard and shiny. It didn't take long at all, and then we came back to them to add ears and eyes.

The ears were made by cutting equal sized pieces of white card into semi circles, with a tab at the bottom so we could bend it and glue onto the body. They stuck the colours onto the ears before we attached them, then we trimmed around the edges where it had overlapped.

The eyes were simply white circles cut from card, with black pupils drawn with Sharpie markers. To watch a film of how to make an Elmer. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eub7Pe6DZlc>

Now take a photo and email your finished Elmer/Elephant to:  
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Where we will then put your photos onto our Website for everyone to see.