

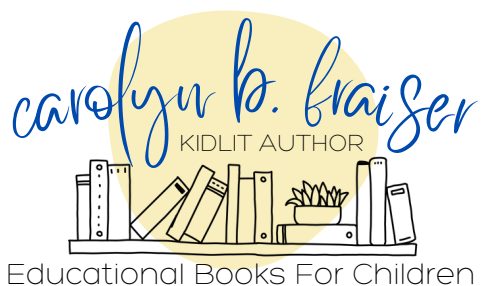


12 MONTHS OF MASON JAR CRAFTS

for kids



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SNOWSTORM IN A JAR

January

Stuck inside waiting for it to snow? If you have a mason jar and a few other supplies, you make your own snowstorm in a jar.

Supplies

16-Ounce Mason Jar

Baby Oil

Iridescent Glitter

White Paint

Alka Seltzer tablet

(with citric acid and
bicarbonate)



Directions

1. Fill mason jar about $\frac{2}{3}$ full of baby oil.
2. Add a squirt of white paint to $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of water.
Then stir until combined.
3. Pour the white water mixture into the mason jar.
(Mixture will fizz to the top)
4. Add some iridescent glitter to the jar.
5. Break the Alka Seltzer tablet into small pieces and
add 2-3 pieces to the jar.
6. Watch as the tiny water bubbles up through the
baby oil making a little snowstorm in a jar.

Each “storm” lasts about 45 seconds. Add more Alka Seltzer tablet pieces to make your storm last longer.

Source: onelittleproject.com

CANDY HEART JARS

February

Get creative and design your own vase or candy jar to give to someone you love for Valentine's Day or simply keep it for yourself and use it as a decoration at home. This craft leaves lots of room for creativity!

Supplies

16-Ounce Mason Jar

Paint

Letter Stamps

Glitter

Ribbon or Twine



Directions

1. Paint mason jar with the color of your choice. Let dry completely.
2. Stamp a Valentine's Candy Heart greeting on the dry surface.
3. Add glitter decorations if you'd like.
4. Tie twine or ribbon around the rim.
5. Fill with candy or with flowers.
6. Give it to someone special.

Feel free to be creative and decorate with glitter heart patterns or even cover the entire jar with glitter.

PRESSED FLOWER LANTERN

March

This spring craft is perfect for kids who love nature. Pressed flowers can be bought or you can dry them yourself. Create a set of different designs using your favorite flowers. Each one is unique!



Supplies

Mod Podge

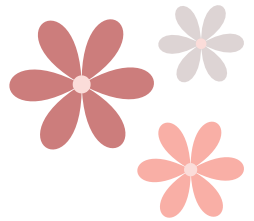
Pressed Flowers

Wide-Mouthed Mason Jar

Paint Brush

Twine

Candle or Fairy Lights



Directions

1. Paint a small area outside the jar with a thin layer Mod Podge glue. (This dries very quickly so only work with one small section at a time).
2. Press dried flower(s) onto the Mod Podge. Cover the flower with Mod Podge. If you have flowers with multiple petals, you may have to apply glue in between the petals to make it stick.
3. Repeat until you've covered the jar with flowers as much as you like. Allow 5 minutes to dry completely.
4. Then cover the entire jar with Mod Podge.
5. Tie twine around the rim of the jar and make a bow.
6. Add a candle or fairy lights to make it glow!

Source: onelittleproject.com

EASTER CANDY JARS

April

These easy Easter candy jars are a cute Easter craft to do with the kids or to use as a sweet Easter gift for a friend. Make a little chick or a bunny-covered in glitter and with darling faces, then fill with candy. It's perfect for Easter!



Supplies

Small Mason Jar

Decoupage

Paint Brush

Fine Glitter

Craft Foam or Construction

Paper

Pom Poms

Googly Eyes

Hot Glue



Directions

1. Paint a thin layer of decoupage over the mason jar.
2. Sprinkle on glitter and shake off the excess. Set aside to dry completely.
3. Cut out ears and whiskers (for bunny) or beak and feet (for chicken) out of craft foam. Hot glue them to the jar.
4. Hot glue a pom pom on the back of the jar for a tail.
5. Make a face with googly eyes.

Fill with candy to make the perfect Easter gift for a teacher or friend.

FIREFLY JARS

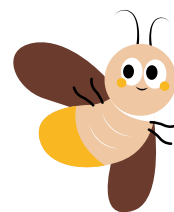
May

Even if you don't live in an area where fireflies light up the fields at dusk, you can still capture their magical glow in this fun easy-to-create craft, perfect for the early day of summertime.



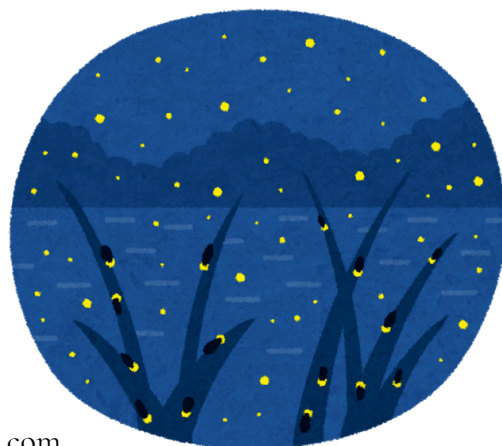
Supplies

Mason Jar
Glow-in-the-Dark Paint



Directions

1. Squeeze dots of glow-in-the-dark paint onto the sides and bottom of a mason jar. Use a Q-tip if needed.
2. Set aside and wait for the paint to completely dry.
3. Charge the glow-in-the-dark paint by setting it in the light.
4. When it grows dark, the paint drops will glow like fireflies.



Source: kiwico.com

MASON JAR TERRARIUM

June

This activity is a fun way to get your kids out in nature and digging in the dirt!



Supplies

Mason Jars
Rocks
Dried Moss
Soil
Plants (such as succulents,
green moss, etc.)



Directions

1. Go on a scavenger hunt in your yard (if you have one) for natural materials.
2. Put a solid layer of dried moss at the bottom of the jar (Dried moss is available at most craft stores).
3. Add a layer of stones to allow your terrarium to drain properly.
4. Add soil from your own garden or from a bag of soil.
5. Begin placing and arranging your live plants and moss on top of the soil.
6. Add an animal figurine if you'd like an extra touch.

Source: kiwico.com



PATRIOTIC MASON JARS

July

This activity is a fun way to get your kids out in nature and digging in the dirt!

Supplies

Large or Medium Mason Jars

Vinyl Cut-Outs (Dots or Stars)

Chalky Finish Paint
(Red, White, and Blue)

Painters Tape

Directions

1. If you want to allow light through the paint, for a candle or fairy lights, put vinyl cut-outs or stickers on the jar before you paint the glass.
2. Paint the entire jar with white chalky paint.
3. Use painters tape to create a mask for stripes.
4. Paint the remaining area in red or blue to create stripes. Remove painters tape.
5. Peel off dots or stars to allow light to peak through the paint once dry.
6. Create one jar to stand alone or jars of various sizes to use as a set.

TORNADO IN A JAR

August

This fun STEM experiment help kids (and adults) understand how tornadoes form without chasing them down in the Midwest.



Supplies

Large Mason Jar with a lid

Water

Clear Dish Soap

Vinegar

Blue Food Dye (Optional)



Directions

1. Fill jar about $\frac{3}{4}$ full of water.
2. Add 3-5 drops of blue dye to the water if you want color.
3. Add a teaspoon of dish soap.
4. Add a teaspoon of vinegar.
5. Put the lid on and tighter. Test over a sink if you are worried about leakage or hot glue the lid to the top of the jar.
6. Hold jar by the lid and rotate the jar in a circular motion with your wrist and watch the vortex form. (Another website instructed to shake the jar for several seconds, then swirl it quickly. The result is the same so do what works for you!)

Source: homeschoolon.com

BACK-TO-SCHOOL PENCIL JAR

September

This fun STEM experiment help kids (and adults) understand how tornadoes form without chasing them down in the Midwest.

Supplies

Mason Jar

Acrylic Paint

Foam Brushes / Paint Brushes

Black Marker or Sharpie

Painter's Tape (Optional)



Directions

1. Paint the bottom of the mason jar in a pink or maroon shade. Use painter's tape if you would like to form a straight line.
2. Paint a stripe of gray just above the pink line.
3. Repeat with yellow and tan paint according to the proportions shows on the image to the left. Set aside to dry.
4. With the permanent black marker, draw a zig-zag line between the yellow and tan paint areas.
5. Write No.2 along the "side" of the yellow part of the pencil as shown.
6. Decorate further if you like.
7. Fill with pencils, markers, or other school supplies.

Source: janinehuldie.com

MUMMY JAR LANTERNS

October

These cute mummy lanterns make the perfect decoration for Halloween. And they are super easy to make for kids of all ages.



Supplies

Mason Jars of Any Size

Googly Eyes

PVA Glue

White Tape

Scissors

LED Candle or Fairy Lights



Directions

1. Glue Googly Eyes to the mason jar using PVA glue.
2. Using the white tape, begin to wrap your Mummy Jar, starting at the bottom of the jar. Be careful not to overlap your Googly Eyes. Wrap the tape all the way to the top, including the top rim of the jar.
3. Set aside to dry completely.
4. Add an LED tealight or fairy lights for full effect!

**HAPPY
HALLOWEEN**

Source: blissfuldomestication.com



GRATITUDE TREE JAR

November

This craft is a great way to get kids to think about what (and who) they are grateful for as Thanksgiving approaches and it makes a great table centerpiece or room decoration.



Supplies

Mason Jar
White Acrylic Paint
Paint Brush
Glue
String or Twine
Scissors
Branches
Construction Paper

Directions

1. Collect a few small branches from outside or purchase them from a craft store.
2. Using acrylic paint, paint them white. Let dry.
3. Fill your mason jar with whatever you like: pretty rocks, marbles, or painted weights. These must be strong enough to hold the branches in place.
4. Wrap the top of your jar with ribbon or twine.
5. Cut leaves out of construction paper (various colors makes the tree looks more festive!).
6. Glue string or yarn to the back of each leaf or use a hole puncher to punch a hole in the leaf.
7. Write down what you are thankful for and tie it to your tree!

CHRISTMAS SNOW GLOBE

December

It's time to get festive for the holidays. There are so many mason jar crafts for Christmas, I could put together an entire book just on those, but I fell in love with this simple but elegant craft that both kids and adults are sure to enjoy!



Supplies

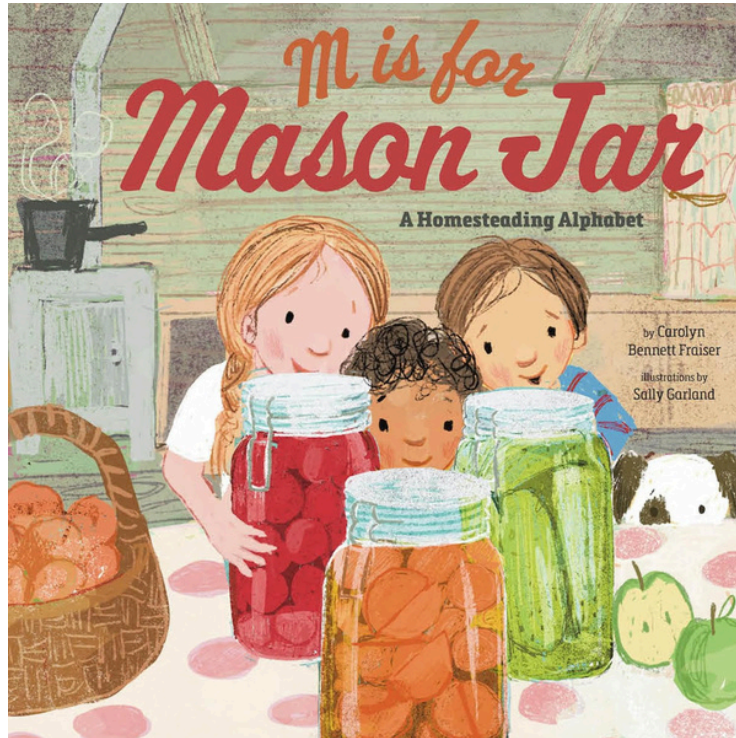
Mason Jar with a Lid
Hot Glue Gun
Small Bottle Brush Tree
(to fit inside the jar)
Artificial Snow
Ribbon or Twine

Directions

1. Hot glue the small bottle brush tree to the inside of the mason jar lid. Make sure to put it in the center of the lid. Set aside to dry.
2. Pour a little bit of artificial snow into the bottom of the mason jar. (Just enough to lightly cover the tree around the base.)
3. When the glue is completely dry, screw the lid back on the mason jar.
4. Add twine or ribbon to the top of the jar to decorate if you wish. Or add other decorations.
5. Turn the jar right side up and watch the snow fall on the tree.

Create several different sizes for a Christmas display!

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