

Activity Idea



Mud huts

(including moneybox)

Make a Ugandan village.

Each participant can make a model of a mud hut using mud for the circular walls and grasses, and so on, for the thatched roof.

Around the outside of the village the participants could make a fence of mud walls.



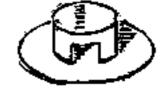
African House

You will need:

- a wide cardboard tube
- a piece of thin card
- thin garden canes

- a junior hacksaw
 - straw or raffia
 - glue and scissors

Cut a length of tube about 5cm (2 inches) long. Cut out a small piece for the door. You will also need two circles, one about 7cm (3 inches) diameter and the other about 12cm (5 inches) diameter.



Glue the piece of tube to the larger circle. Cut lengths of cane and glue to the outside of the tube.



Make a cut in the small circle of card and fold to a cone shape to fit The house. Glue into position.





Glue lengths of straw or raffia on to the cone to make the roof. Fit the roof onto the house.





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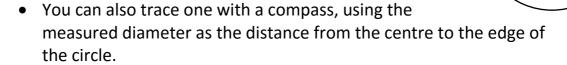


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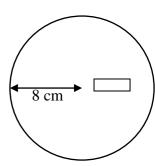
Mud Hut moneybox

You can also make a Mud Hut or a Mud Hut moneybox by using a recycled container (Pringles mini tube, chocolate or cocoa powder box, cake decoration or baking soda box, etc) anything round that can easily be covered with coloured paper.

- Measure the height of the container and cut out a rectangle of paper long enough to cover the tube. Glue in place.
- To find the perfect size for a circle that will fit the tube for a roof, measure the diameter of the tube container.
- Multiply this measure x2 and that is the diameter of a roof that will fit.
- Find a plate, bowl or any round object that has roughly the same diameter and use it as a template.



- Cut the roof up to the middle point (one time the tube's diameter) and then slide one side on top of the other and glue to make the cone. If you want to make a moneybox, cut a slit for the money before making the cone.
- To fix the roof, you can use a long snake of blue tack on the rim where the lid would go and push the roof down until it sticks. You can also use a glue gun or regular glue.



16 cm





Make a Mud Hut Money Box

