Tadpole and Frog Patterns

Tadpole

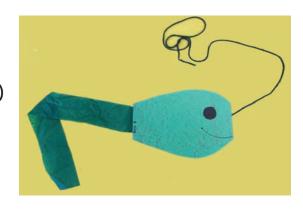
Each child needs:

1 - 18" x 6" green body (use tracer provided)

 $2 - 1" \times 1"$ black eyes

1 - 12" x 2" green tissue paper tail

Optional: 1 - 24" piece of yarn



To prepare:

Cut the construction and tissue paper in the above dimensions. Fold the body piece in half lengthwise. Cut out some tracer patterns out of file folders, placing the nose of the tadpole on the fold.

To make the tadpole:

Show the children how to place the tracer pattern over the folded edge of the tadpole body, trace it, and then cut it out. Rub the whole body with a peeled brown crayon for texture and color. Cut the corners off of the black squares to form circular eyes and glue them on both sides of the body. Then place the tissue paper tail inside the end of the body and glue it shut. Draw the mouth on both sides with a black marker. Optional: staple a piece of yarn onto the tadpole's nose, so that the children can pull it through the air and make it look like it is swimming around the room. To do this, you will need to tie a knot in the yarn first to make it stay securely behind the staple when pulled.

Frog

Each child needs:

1 - 6" x 6" green body

 $2 - 1.5" \times 1.5"$ yellow eyes

2 - 9" x 1" green legs



To make the frog:

Show the children how to cut off the corners of the square body to make it circular. Then cut the corners off of the yellow squares to make the eyes and glue them on as shown. Draw the mouth and eye balls on with a black marker. Fold the legs in half like "L's," and then glue them on as shown. Add spots with tempera paint and some Q-tips. Have fun!

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