



Bird Feeder Activity

Turn a plastic bottle into something useful -- a bird feeding station where your kids' feathered friends can feast. Add this to your list of easy science activities for kids as one that shows a positive purpose for recycling. You'll need to help the kids with cutting the bottle.

What You'll Need:

- Plastic 2-liter bottle (without a base cap)
- Blunt scissors
- Nail
- 12-inch wood dowel
- Strong cord
- Birdseed

Step 1: Soak the bottle in warm water to remove the label. Dry thoroughly.

Step 2: Decorate the bottle as desired.

Step 3: Make sure an adult helps use a nail to carefully poke a hole in each side of the plastic bottle near the bottom for the perch. The holes need to be large enough to fit the dowel.



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Step 4: Make a U-shaped cut 2 inches above the perch hole on each side of the bottle. Bend each cut area outward like a little awning.

Step 5: Punch two holes just under the top rim of the bottle for the cord to pass through.

Step 6: Thread a piece of strong cord through the top holes to hang the feeder.

Step 7: Insert the dowel through the perch holes.

Step 8: Fill the feeder with birdseed, and put the cap back on the bottle.

Step 9: Hang the bird feeder outside, and watch the birds eat.

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