

# Younger Elementary Craft



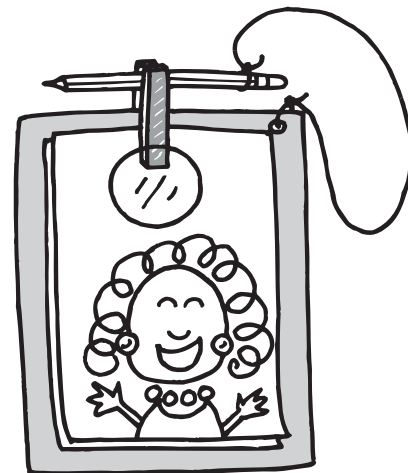
## Lab-Notes Clipboard (15–20 minutes)

### Craft Tip

You may want to use a box knife or craft knife to cut the heavy cardboard.

### Preparation

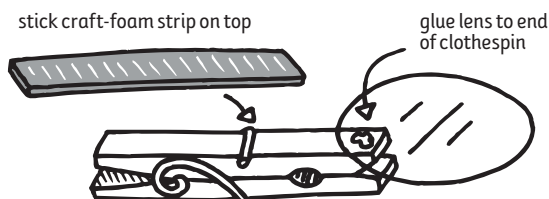
Cut heavy cardboard and poster board into 6x9-inch (15x23 cm) rectangles, making one of each for each child. Cut lightweight cardboard into several circle patterns, 2 inches (5 cm) in diameter. Cut string or lanyard into 24-inch (61 cm) lengths, making one for each child. Cut craft foam into strips  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch (1.3 cm) wide and the same length as clothespins. Make one craft-foam strip for each child. Cut copy paper in half widthwise to create two or three half sheets for each child.



### Instruct each child in the following procedures:

- Set a circle pattern on the clear transparency or plastic lid. Use permanent marker to trace around the pattern to make a circle. Cut out circle. This is the “magnifying glass lens.”
- Place a dot of glue at the clip end of clothespin. Place edge of plastic “lens” on top of glue (image a).

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- For magnifying glass handle, peel the paper off the back of the black craft-foam strip, and adhere it to the clothespin.
- Glue poster board rectangle to cardboard rectangle, making sure edges and corners are glued down.
- With help from an adult, use hole punch to punch a hole in one top corner of board.

### Materials

- heavy cardboard
- brightly colored poster board
- brightly colored nylon string or lanyard
- black adhesive-backed craft foam (available at craft stores)
- clear transparencies or plastic lids
- permanent markers

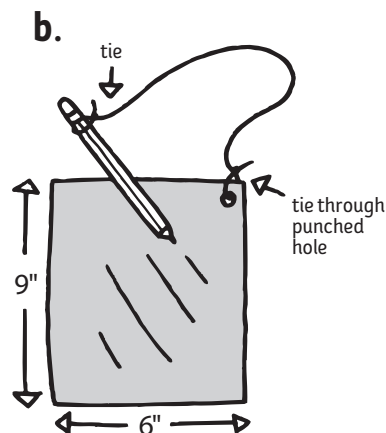
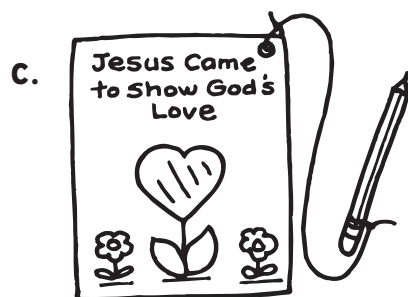
### For Each Child

- one spring-type clothespin
- one new pencil, sharpened

### Standard Supplies

- scissors
- measuring stick
- lightweight cardboard
- copy paper
- glue
- hole punch
- crayons or markers

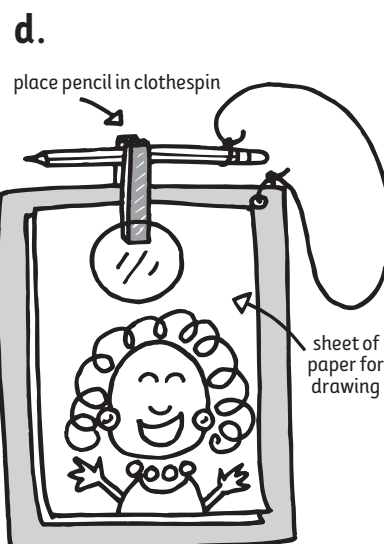
- Tie one end of the string or lanyard through the hole and knot to secure. Tie the other end of string to the eraser end of pencil (image b).
- Use crayons or markers to write "Jesus Came to Show God's Love!" on the poster board. Then draw a picture and/or designs (image c).



- Attach a few half sheets of paper to your clipboard by clipping the magnifying glass clothespin to the top edge of board.
- Place the pencil in the clothespin handle to hold onto clipboard (image d).

### Simplification Ideas

- Leader writes or types "Jesus Came to Show God's Love!" on paper and makes a photocopy for each child. Child cuts out the sentence and glues it to poster board.
- Instead of making a magnifying glass, buy novelty magnifying glasses for children to glue to clipboards.



### Conversation

God sent Jesus to Earth to show us what God is like.  
What are some things Jesus did that showed love?  
What are some things He did that showed that God is powerful?