

Younger Elementary Craft



Spectacular Spectacles (20–25 minutes)

Preparation

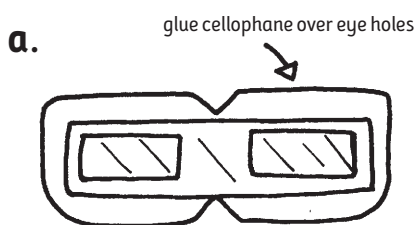
Cut elastic cording into 12-inch (30.5 cm) lengths, making one for each child. Photocopy Spectacles Patterns onto card stock, making one sheet of two spectacles for each child. Cut cellophane into 6½x1½-inch (16.5x4 cm) rectangles, one clear and one colored rectangle for each child.

For each child, in a brown paper bag, place a length of elastic cording, two copies of the Spectacles Patterns, one clear and one colored rectangle of cellophane and two sets of Velcro rounds.

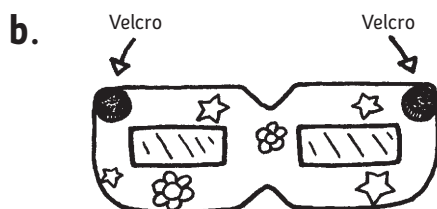


Instruct each child in the following procedures:

- Cut out spectacles. With an adult's help, cut out eye holes.
- Glue the clear cellophane rectangle over eye holes on one pair of spectacles (image a).



- Glue the colored cellophane rectangle over eye holes on the other pair of spectacles.
- Glue sequins on front of both spectacle frames to decorate.
- Make sure both sides of Velcro rounds are attached together. Remove the backing from Velcro rounds, and stick one round to each top front corner of decorated side of spectacles with clear lenses (image b).



Materials

- Spectacles Patterns (p. 27)
- elastic cording
- clear and colored cellophane or cellophane gift wrap (available at craft stores)
- variety of sequin shapes (star, flower, etc.)

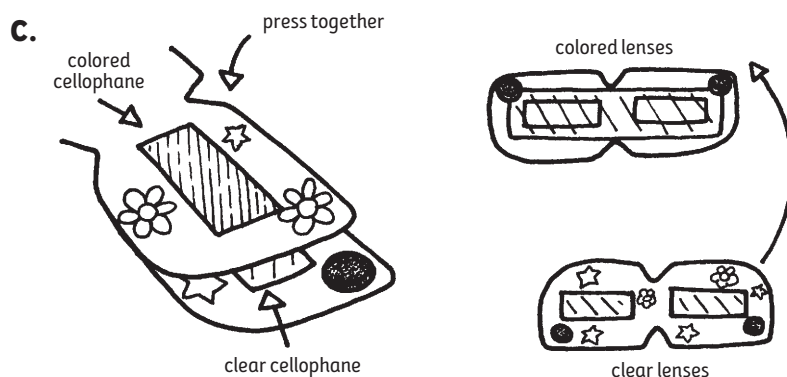
For Each Child

- one brown paper lunch bag
- two sets of Velcro rounds

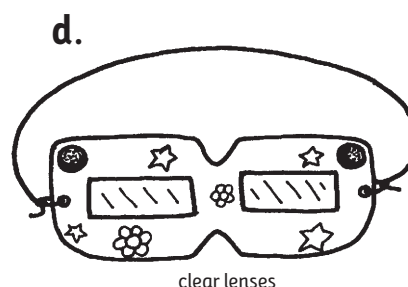
Standard Supplies

- scissors
- brightly colored card stock
- ruler
- glue
- hole punch

- Lay the spectacles with colored lenses, decorated side up, on top of the clear lenses, lining up spectacles evenly. Press to attach the remaining sticky side of Velcro rounds (image c). Pull off colored spectacles. One side of each Velcro round will now be attached to the colored spectacles.



- Punch a hole on both sides of the clear spectacles.
- Thread one end of elastic cord through each hole. Tie and knot elastic to each side of spectacles (image d). Trim ends.
- Look through the clear lenses. Then attach the colored lenses.



Alternate Idea

Instead of or in addition to decorating with sequins, use glitter glue, stickers, craft-foam shapes or other decorations.

Conversation

What color is everything when you look through your colored spectacles, (Justin)?

What colors do you see when you look through the clear spectacles? (All colors.)

Light contains colors that we can't see. You can see colors in light when you look at a rainbow. The drops of water in the sky allow us to see the colors in light.

It's amazing that God made our eyes to see so many different colors!

God made us in amazing ways. He made us in His image so that we could love Him and talk with Him. Adam and Eve were close with God until something happened that separated them from God. What was the thing that separated Adam and Eve from God? (Sin.) **Sin separates all of us from God. But God doesn't want to stay separated. He made a way for us to be close to Him.**

Spectacles Patterns

