

# Funky Grass Heads



## MATERIALS

**Old nylon stockings**, knee highs or pop socks, work great. You can also use old socks, but the grass sometimes has trouble poking through

**Grass seeds.** Use whatever seeds you've got handy. Chive seeds work well, cress or clover for curly hair!

**Sand or potting compost for stuffing**, or just some soil from your garden

**Small yoghurt pot**

**Decorations.** Goggly eyes and fabric scraps for the heads, coloured paper for the bodies, pipe-cleaners for spectacles... get creative :-)

**Water-proof glue** for sticking on the eyes, lips, etc. you can use any sort of glue so long as it won't dissolve in water

## MAKING YOUR GRASS HEADS



### Step 1:

Cut off a 20cm section of stocking that includes the toe

Or use knee highs / pop socks



### Step 2:

Stretch the stocking over a large cup or mug, and spoon in about 2 teaspoons full of grass seeds



### Step 3:

Pack in some sand or potting soil. Aim for the head to be roughly tennis ball sized



### Step 4:

Tie a knot to close the end

Don't cut off the dangly bit



### Step 5:

You can make a nose or ears by grabbing a bit of stocking and twisting. Fasten the base of the nose with some thread or a small rubber band.



### Step 6: Decorate!

Use fabric scraps to decorate the face, and coloured paper to make the yoghurt container into a dress or a suit or whatever you like - get creative! Just make sure that any glue you use for the head is water-proof.

## GROWING YOUR GRASS HEADS



Give your grass head a good dunking in a bowl of water to moisten the sand/soil. Half-fill a yoghurt pot with water, and put the head on top, with the excess stocking dangling down into the water

Put your creation on a windowsill or light area. Check every day to make sure the head is moist - you might need to dribble a few drops of water onto the head.

**"Hair" takes about 1 week to sprout.** A full head of hair takes 3-4 weeks to grow, and "greying and balding" will occur after about 6 weeks. Experiment with different hairstyles :-). You can make mohawks, pony-tails, crew-cuts... have fun with it!

**OTHER IDEAS - GET YOUR THINKING HEADS ON!**



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