

Looking for some Earth Day upcycling projects and crafts for your kids? Here's one we love!

FER-GRASS



Supplies Needed:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• nylon stocking foot	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• small cup and shallow dish
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• small elastic bands	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• hot glue gun and glue sticks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• course chip saw dust (a few cups – depending on how many you are making)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• card stock, craft foam, and so on, for clothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 tablespoons grass or herb seeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 googly eyes
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• markers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• water

Instructions:

1. Put the grass or herb seed into the nylon (this will be the top of the head).
2. Place a few handfuls of sawdust into the nylon, on top of the seeds until you get the size head you want.
3. Secure the "neck" with a rubber band, but leave the "tail" of the stocking on. Use rubber bands to make ears and a nose. Glue on googly eyes. Draw mouth on with marker.
4. Decorate the outside of the cup to look like clothing.
5. When you're ready to grow your Fer-grass, dunk the bottom of the head (the part with the sawdust) into a bowl of water to moisten it. Half-fill cup with water, and put the head on top (make sure the "tail" of the stocking is touching the water. Place it onto a shallow dish.

6. Put your creation on a windowsill or somewhere with plenty of sunlight. Check every day to make sure the head is moist - you might need to spray a few drops of water onto it now and then.
7. Don't forget to give Fer-grass a haircut every now and then!

There are tons of other great Earth Day crafts and projects for kids – give it a Google!
