

You will need:

Polystyrene shapes - egg and ball (cat no. 209015)

Lollipop sticks (cat no. 209904)

Paint (try pearl paint, cat no. 206816, for a shiny metallic finish)

Wiggle Eyes (cat nos. 209997 or 209098)

Tinsel pipecleaners (cat no. 204151)

Offcuts of green card (metallic or hologram are ideal, or use standard green card, cat no. 732871)

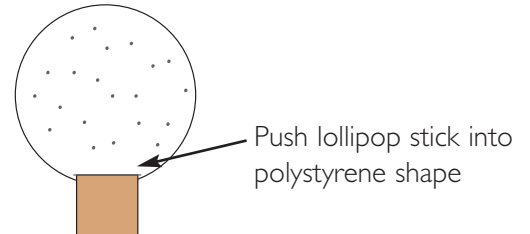
Chunky coloured permanent markers (try 822721 black and 822824 green, or see page 130 of the catalogue for the full range of colours).

Glue (try cat no. 701311)

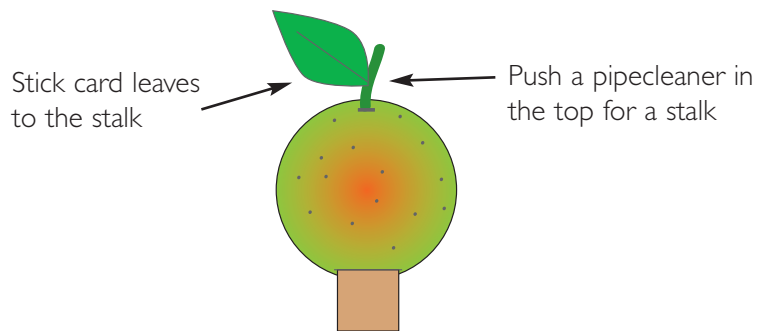
Scissors, paint brushes and water pot

How to make your plant pot markers:

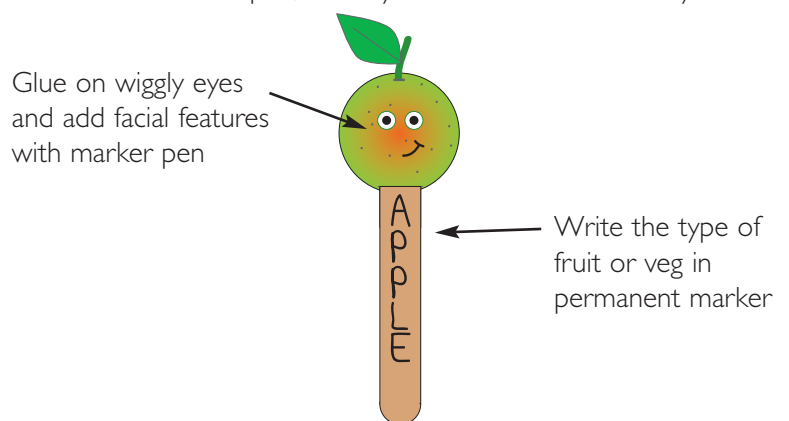
1. Decide which fruit or vegetable you are making and choose an appropriate polystyrene shape.
2. Take a lollipop stick and push it into the base of your fruit, so that approx 3cm of the stick is inside it.



3. Paint the fruit so that it is completely covered, but take care not to paint the lollipop stick. **Tip:** To give interest to an apple, try painting alternate large splotches of red and green, and blend together where they meet.
4. When the fruit is dry, push a short length of pipecleaner into the top of it to form its stalk. Cut out leaves from green card and glue to the stalk.



5. To give your fruit a face, make sure one of the flat faces of the lollipop stick is facing you, then glue wiggly eyes onto the fruit. Draw on a mouth with marker pen, and any other features such as eyebrows.



6. Lastly, write the name of the fruit or vegetable down the lollipop stick.
7. Pop your finished marker in the pot with your seedlings.



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