

Buzzing Bluebottle pen topper.

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You will need:

2 x very small white pom-poms,
6 x very small yellow pom-poms
and 1 x medium blue pom-pom
(catalogue no. 209314)

Piece of black felt
(catalogue no. 209637
or 209338)

1 x pipecleaner – preferably blue
(catalogue no. 204151
or 204450)

Silver holographic or metallic card
(catalogue no. 204486)

Glue (e.g. Power Pritt Gel,
catalogue no. 701702)

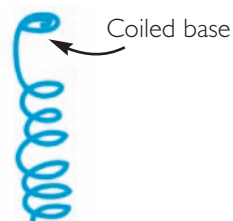
Black pen or felt tip



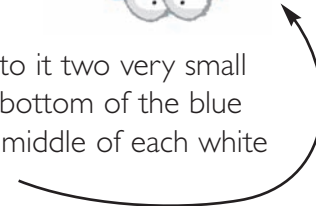
1 Begin by winding a pipecleaner around a pen or pencil to form a spring. Leave about 2cm at the top and coil the pipecleaner back on itself. This will form a base on which to glue your design.



2 Bend the coiled base that you have just created so that the base is horizontal as shown:



3 Take a medium-sized blue pom-pom and glue to it two very small white pom-poms close together, and near the bottom of the blue pom-pom, as shown. Draw a black dot in the middle of each white pom-pom to create your bluebottle's eyes.



4 Create the bluebottle's wings by cutting a heart-shape from a piece of silver holographic or metallic card (although you can use ordinary card). Glue the wings to the bluebottle's body with the point of the heart-shape facing forwards.



5 Cut a rectangle from black felt about 1.5 x 6cm. Cut the rectangle into three thin strips and then glue a very small yellow pom-pom onto both ends of each felt strip.



6 Glue the felt strips onto the pipecleaner's coiled base as shown:



7 Glue the bluebottle's body on top of the felt strips as shown in the photograph. Allow to dry.

8 Thread the pen topper onto your favourite pen or pencil!

For further advice on completing this project, please contact Helen White in the Marketing and Information Team at helen.white@hants.gov.uk