

Rolling Feet



These rolling feet are easy to make and just look so hilarious! You can experiment with different-sized rolls of tape to see whether you can get more speed/distance etc.

Equipment

Thin card
Straws
Wooden kebab sticks
Large rolls of parcel tape/duct tape etc
Pencil
Scissors (and wire cutters/secateurs optional)
Sticky tape

Method

1. Get each child to draw round their feet on a piece of card and then cut them out.
2. Cut 2 lengths of straw, about 8cm long. Using plenty of sticky tape, attach a straw to the ball of a paper foot so that it sticks out horizontally. Repeat for the other foot.
3. Cut off the pointed end of the kebab stick. Then cut the stick in half. (You may want to do this step so that the children don't have to.)
4. Attach one of the sticks to the inside of a roll of parcel tape with sticky tape, so that it sticks out the other side. Attach the other stick on the opposite side of the roll of tape, so it sticks out at the other side (see picture).
5. Using the straws, slide the feet onto the kebab sticks and you're ready to play.
6. Just watching the feet go round as the tape rolls along is silly enough, but you can also have races with the feet. You can see how far they go from just one push, or else try blowing on them to keep them moving. We raised up one end of our table to create a small slope to race them down.



Note that the kebab sticks and the straws need to be fixed firmly to the relevant surfaces so that they don't shift around when the roll of tape is moving. Make sure you use plenty of strong sticky tape.

To appreciate the full glory of the rolling feet, see our video clips:

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