Spino hat

Play dinosaur dress up with this paper dino hat.

What you need:

- Paper or template (optional)
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Sticky tape
- Paint (optional)

Step 1: Cut 4 strips of paper approx. 4cm wide along the long side of an A4 sheet of paper. Two of these strips will be the headband and two will form the base that you attach your spines to. See our template page which you can print or use as a visual guide. Top tip! If you're using plain paper, decorate it before starting for a colourful dino look.



Top tip! If your paper is thick you may not need these, but for thinner paper they provide extra strength.

Step 3: Then take your two headband pieces and measure them to fit around your child's head and stick together to create a circle headband.

Step 4: Cut out your spines (along the dotted lines) according to the template.

Step 5: Fold along the solid line so that the spines all stand up. Then thread your base strip through the middle of your spines and stick it together once in place. (If using tape, stick over either end and in the centre underneath where the two spine pieces meet.)

Step 6: On one side of the opposing tip of each spine, put a small amount of glue (if using tape, roll a small strip to create a double-sided piece). Bring the two sides together to meet in the middle to create each '3D' spine.

Top tip! You can use paper clips or a book to hold the two sides together while they dry.

Step 7: After the glue has dried, place the headband circle on your child's head and tape one end of the spines to the front of the headband (for extra strength, tape again on the inside of headband). Then, lay the spines over the top of the head and find a point to stick them to the back of the headband. It may be easier to make a pencil mark to remember this point then take off to stick. Job done!



Headbands & base: 4cm x 29cm



