

## BUTTERFLIES AND BEES!

Aviators can learn a lot from studying natural flyers. In this activity, you will craft a butterfly or bee using household materials.

### Materials

- Clothespins
- Markers
- Coffee Filters
- Pipe Cleaners
- Water
- Pipettes
- Paper towels
- Glue
- Scissors



### Instructions

1. You can make either a bee, butterfly, or maybe both!
2. Start by coloring the wings (coffee filter) with small dots using a marker. Bee's wings can be black and white, butterfly's wings can be any colors. Don't color the entire coffee filter, only draw dots.
3. Next, lay the coffee filter wing on a paper towel and drip a few drops of water on it using a pipette. The color will bleed around making a pretty affect. Do not drench the coffee filter in water!
4. While the coffee filter dries on the paper towel, you can begin coloring your clothespin. The clothespin is the body of the bug. Bees can be yellow and black striped, butterflies can be any color or pattern. Be sure to color both sides.
5. Once the coffee filter is dry, pinch it in the center and place it inside the open clothespin.
6. Cut a pipe cleaner to a length of about 5 inches; bees can have black antennae, butterflies can have any color.
7. Bend the pipe cleaner into a curly U and place it inside the open clothespin as antennae.
8. You can add hot or super glue to the inside of the clothespin so that the wings and antennae stay in place.
9. Go outside and find some flowers for your pollinator!