

CRAFT SUNDEW IN A POT

MATERIALS NEEDED

Small Styrofoam cups, one per participant
Green tissue paper, one big sheet per participant
Pipe cleaners, of many colors but lots of green
Magic markers
Wire cutters, one for each helper

GOAL: To create a craft potted sundew plant in a pot

OVERVIEW

The Styrofoam cup serves as the pot. The sheet of green tissue paper, crumpled, serves as the soil. The sundew plant is constructed from colored pipe cleaners and is stuck into the tissue paper and Styrofoam cup pot. Sundew flowers and insect prey are also constructed from the pipe cleaners. The Styrofoam cup pot can be decorated with magic markers.

BEFORE CLASS

Make bundles of 12 to 18 pipe cleaners. Each bundle should contain lots of green pipe cleaners and a variety of other colors. Make one bundle for each participant.

IN CLASS

Hand out one Styrofoam cup, 1 large sheet of tissue paper and 1 pipe cleaner bundle to each student.

Instruct the students to crumple the tissue paper and place it in the paper cup.

Instruct students to open their pipe cleaner packets and get creative. Design a real or totally imaginary sundew species, and plant it in the tissue paper filled pot.

If the students require short lengths of pipe cleaner, you and any helpers can snip the pipe cleaners to the desired length with the wire cutters.

Students may make sundew flowers and insect prey out of the pipe cleaners.

Students may also decorate the pot or add extra color to the pipe cleaners using the magic markers.