# Making binoculars

# **Materials Needed**

- Cardboard rolls or paper
- Textas, stickers, and other decorations

**STEP 2:** Make paper tubes

- Sticky tape
- Scissors
- String, yarn or ribbon

### **STEP 1: Prepare the rolls**



If using a paper towel roll, cut it into two equal halves. You'll need two shorter rolls for the binoculars.



Skip this step if you have used cardboard rolls.

If using paper, help your child roll 2 sheets into tube shapes and secure with tape.

#### **STEP 3: Join the rolls**



Give your child the rolls or paper tubes and say, "Let's stick these side by side to make binoculars." Help join the two tubes together with sticky tape.

## **STEP 4: Decorate the Rolls**



Encourage creativity and let the child decorate the two rolls using textas, pencils, and stickers.

#### **STEP 5: Make the Strap**



Cut two pieces of string or ribbon. Tape one end to the top of each roll to create a strap for the binoculars.

# **STEP 6: Final Touches**



Check that everything is secure and add any extra decorations. "The binoculars are now ready to use!"

### **Tips and tricks**

**Supervision:** Always supervise your little one while using scissors and other craft materials. We suggest that parents or carers do the cutting.

**Creativity:** Use the HIPPY coloring sheet by Lena Smith to decorate your binoculars or to create your paper tubes. You can also try taping some coloured cellophane to the ends to create lenses.

**Comfort:** Make sure the string is not too tight or too loose for the child to wear comfortably around their neck. We recommend using two pieces of string to create the strap, to allow you to adjust the length.

