

Polar Bear Craft

Polar bears love chilly weather! Winter is a great time for your child to create their own textured polar bear. Not only will your child gain practice identifying shapes, they'll put their fine motor skills to work drawing and cutting them out. After the project is complete they'll have an adorable companion to give them warm fuzzies throughout the season.

What You Need:

- Paper plate
- Cotton balls
- Black and white construction paper
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Glue stick

What You Do:

1. Ask your child to name the shape of a paper plate. Place the plate in front of them.
2. Encourage your child to name the shape of the end of a cotton ball. Explain the difference between a circle and an oval. Have them cover the entire paper plate in cotton balls, gluing them directly to the plate.
3. Ask your child draw and cut out two black circles for the bear's eyes, and two large white circles for the bear's ears.
4. Help them glue the circles in place.
5. Ask your child to draw an oval on the black paper to create the polar bear's nose. Cut it out and glue it in place.
6. Encourage your child to count the number of circles they drew and cut out. What about the number of ovals?

