

# MAKE YOUR OWN LION KING MASK

For ages 8 and up with adult supervision

## You will need:

- Masking Tape
  - Scissors
  - White Glue
  - Paint & Brushes
  - 1 Milk Jug (1 gallon)
  - 3- 4 Paper Grocery Bags
- PAPER MACHE RECIPE
- 2 Cups Water
  - 2 Cups Flour
  - 2 Tbsp Salt

## Instructions:

This craft will take 2-3 days to complete.

**Step 1** ▶ Set-up: This is going to get messy so be prepared! Wear an old shirt or smock and cover the area you will be working in with a drop cloth or papers. Then, set-up all the materials you will need in your workspace.

**Step 2** ▶ Have an adult cut your milk jug in half and remove the top and handle. See fig. B

**Step 3** ▶ Apply masking tape over the holes where the handle was removed.

**Step 4** ▶ Prepare your paper mache paste (see recipe) by combining flour, water and salt in a large bowl and mixing it until completely smooth and without lumps.

**Step 5** ▶ Tear one of your paper bags into a pile of strips. The strips can vary in size but should be about the width of three or four fingers and about twice the length of your hand.

**Step 6** ▶ Apply paper mache to the outside of your jug.



fig. A



fig. B



fig. C



fig. D



fig. E



fig. F



fig. G



fig. H



- Dip a strip of paper into your bowl of paste.
- Remove and run the strip between your fingers to remove excess paste.
- Apply the strip to the outside of your jug.
- Repeat until your jug is covered in two layers.
- Allow to dry completely. See fig. C.

**Step 8** ▶ Apply a base coat of orange/gold paint for the lion face and allow to dry for a couple hours. See fig. D

**Step 9** ▶ Paint on your lion face. Allow to dry. See fig. E-F

**Step 10** ▶ Create a mane for your lion mask.

- Cut out a 10" square from your paper bag.
- Fold the square in half and cut toward the folded edge stopping 1/5 inch uncut before the edge.
- Repeat every 1/5 inch. See fig. G-H

**Step 11** ▶ Use glue to apply the mane around the outside of your lion mask. Allow to dry. Gently scrunch and curl the edges of your lion's mane to create a more wild and realistic effect.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**  
You have created an amazing Lion King mask! Display it on your wall for everyone to enjoy!



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