

### Essential information

#### Age range:

7-11 (children either side of this range may enjoy this activity dependant on ability)

#### Group size:

In class

#### Time needed:

No time limit

#### Curriculum links:

#### Setting:

Classroom

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## Insect christmas decorations – Bumblebee

### Background to activity

During this activity children will make their own bumblebee Christmas decoration

### Materials needed

- Yellow, white and black card
- Sparkly pipe cleaners
- Sticky tape
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Metallic pens
- Wire/cotton (optional)

### Running the activity

The templates should be cut out onto the colours of card indicated (body with wings on white, body on black and stripes on yellow). Six equal pieces of pipe cleaner plus one shorter piece should be cut out and affixed to the upper side of the white piece with sticky tape. The black piece should then be glued on top of these, with the yellow pieces stuck to this. The children can then use the metallic pens to add details. To attach to a tree, pierce a small hole in the completed decoration and thread a length of wire or cotton through and tie into a loop.

