

# EGG CARTON CATERPILLAR

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## Materials: (per caterpillar)

- 6 “cups” from a cardboard egg carton
- 1 12 inch piece of string
- Assorted bright colored paints
- Paintbrushes
- 2 googly eyes
- glue
- 1 bright colored chenille stem
- scissors



## Instructions:

Do 1, 2, and 3 beforehand for younger scouts

1. In four of the egg carton cups, use scissors to punch a hole on opposite sides of each cup. In the remaining two cups, punch a hole on just one side. These cups will be the end sections of the caterpillar.
2. Thread the string through the holes in the cups so all six cups are attached in a line. Knot off the string inside the two end cups so it doesn't come out. When knotting off, leave a little slack in the string so the caterpillar can “bend” a little bit.
3. Use the scissors to poke a hole in the top of the cup that will be the caterpillar's head.
4. Give each scout a caterpillar and let them paint it.
5. After the paint dries, have the scout poke the chenille stem into the head so they have two antenna sticking out the top.
6. Have them twist the chenille stem so the antenna are curly. It might be easiest to let them curl the stem by wrapping it around a pencil.
7. Let them glue the eyes on the caterpillar.