

## Superhero

**Art Form:** Visual Arts • **Other:** Social Emotional Learning

### DESCRIPTION:

With this cardboard tube craft, your child can learn the value of using recycled materials to create their very own superhero – be it an existing hero or one that they create, with superpowers or an everyday hero like nurses and firefighters. This is a straightforward and entertaining creation that can be as simple or as detailed as the artist wants it to be.

### RECOMMENDED AGE(S):

Pre-k through 2nd grade

### TIME TO COMPLETE:

This project can take as little as 15 to 20 minutes, though it honestly depends on however long it takes your child to choose their superhero designs and how much decoration/detail they want to add.

### MATERIALS NEEDED:

- ▶ Cardboard tube (emptied toilet paper roll or paper towel roll cut in half)
- ▶ Scissors
- ▶ Tape and/or glue
- ▶ Construction paper
- ▶ Crayons, colored pencils, and/or markers
- ▶ And anything you would like to decorate and embellish with (yarn, sequins, scraps of fabric, rhinestones, tissue paper, etc.)

### WHAT YOU DO:

1. Decide what kind of superhero you are wanting to create! (existing superhero like Superman or Wonder Woman, a superhero of your own like Captain Clean whose superpowers are keeping our environment healthy and unpolluted, or an everyday superhero like a firefighter or a doctor.
2. Using the cardboard tube as the body of your character, you can either draw clothing or a uniform or create it using construction paper cut into whatever shapes you want and then glued or taped to the cardboard.
3. Use a writing utensil of your choice to add facial features and expressions.
4. Create hair, a helmet, or their own unique hat out of whatever materials you want (yarn, paper, cotton, etc.)
5. Add a cape if you want by gluing or taping a strip of paper or fabric to the back of the tube.
6. You can also create your superhero's environment by creating a backdrop on a piece of construction paper or cardboard (like the sky and clouds in the example picture).
7. Lastly, explore how your character moves (Can they fly? Do they have superhuman strength or speed?) and explore what they might sound like or say! Have fun discovering the world of your character!

### HOW YOU CAN SHARE:

Take a picture of your child's superhero creations and share them and be sure to tag it **#artworksanywhere**.

### Video Tutorial



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