

# MATCHSTICK PICTURE

1. Get A4 black card and place it in portrait mode on the table.
2. Glue matchsticks onto the card in the shape of a tree. Work on forming the skeleton of the tree including a main trunk and extending branches.
3. Use the idea of symmetry from maths to cut symmetrical leaves of different sizes. (Fold sheets of green card into different widths and cut half a leaf shape from the closed side of the sheet to get symmetrical leaves.)
4. Dip the tips of the leaves into PVA glue and position around the branches. By only gluing a piece of the leaves gives a 3-D look to the picture as most of the leaf should be lifting off the page.
5. Cut out grass shape and glue along the bottom of the picture.
6. Allow the glue to dry overnight before displaying the pictures.

## Variations

1. Use different shades of green card for the leaves.
2. Use many different colours for the leaves to show trees in different seasons.
3. Show some leaves falling from the trees to show Autumn trees.
4. Think up of other pictures that can be displayed using the matchstick and paper idea. E.g. flowers, animals etc.

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Sample



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