

Pompom Baby Chick

Supplies Needed

#40000812 Yellow 10mm Pompoms, 100 pc. (2 pk) #40000477 Orange Chenille Stems, 25 pc. (1 pk) #61215022 Black 6/0 E-Beads, 40G (1 pk) #23702 Bead Scoop and Tweezers Set, 2 pc. (1 pk – or use your own tweezers)

Tools & Other Supplies Needed

2 ¾" Foam Egg (approx. size) 1 ½" Foam Egg (approx. size) Felt & Foam Tacky Glue Sharp Knife or Exacto Knife **(adult supervision mandatory)** Medium Sandpaper (if using smooth surface foam eggs) Wire Cutter or Scissors Plastic Knife or Thick Skewer (optional but can help spread glue) Toothpicks

Techniques to Know

Basic Cutting and Gluing

Instructions:

- 1. Use knife to cut away and hollow out a small section of the narrower end of the smaller foam egg to make a head shape that will rest up against the top of the wider end of the larger foam egg. Use a toothpick to connect the two together.
- 2. If your eggs have a smooth surface, use a small piece of sandpaper to rough up the surface of the eggs so the glue will adhere better.
- 3. *Liberally apply a thick layer of glue to the head of the chick. Using tweezers, begin pressing pompoms onto the glue. Allow glue to slightly dry and grab onto the pompoms before continuing. Working in small sections around the body, continue applying glue and pressing on pompoms, allowing glue to slightly dry and grab onto the pompoms in between sections. Allow the glue to dry and cure thoroughly so all the pompoms are securely glued onto to the foam eggs.
- 4. Make chick feet: Starting at one end of an orange chenille stem, fold over three doubled 1" sections of the chenille stem to make the three front toes of the chick. Fan them out and wrap the stem around and between the toes. Fold over a 1" doubled section for the back toe of the chick. Fold the stem upwards and back down to form the leg. Wrap the remaining stem around and between the toes to secure them together. Repeat this step to make the second foot.

- 5. Use toothpick to poke channels up into the bottom of the chick body, between pompoms, where you want to position the feet. Push the folded-up leg section of the chick feet securely into those holes so the chick stands up.
- 6. Make chick beak: Cut a short section of orange chenille stem and fold into a small V shape. Use toothpick to poke holes into the front of the chick head where you want to position the beak. Push the beak ends into the holes until they are secure.
- Make chick eyes: Use tweezers to hold a black e-bead, dip the e-bead into a spot of glue, and push the e-bead in between pompoms on the front of the head for an eye. Repeat this step for the second eye. Allow glue to dry.
- 8. Enjoy and admire your new baby chick!

*PRO TIPS: Do not do this project under hot lighting because the heat can prohibit the glue from grabbing onto the pompoms and setting. It can be helpful to place each section of glued on pompoms in front of a fan for a few minutes before you move onto the next section.

SKILL LEVEL: Beginner APPROXIMATE CRAFTING TIME: 30-45 Minutes + Drying Time