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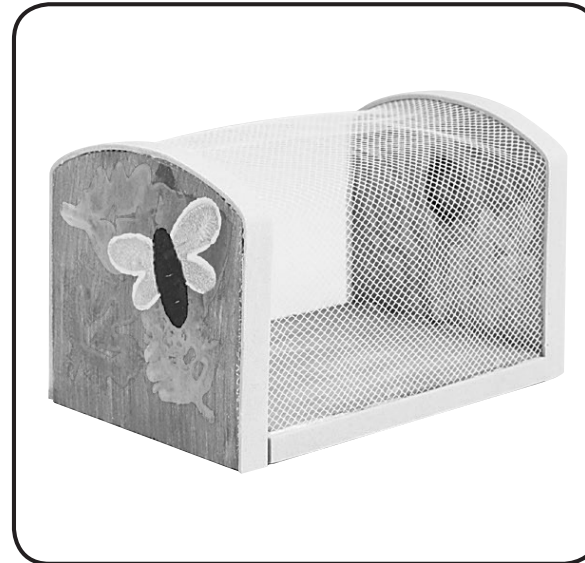

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Bug Houses (Pk/12)

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE STARTING

AGE GROUP: 6 and up
PROJECT TIME: 60 minutes

YOUR KIT CONTAINS:

- Wood Board Panels
- Corks
- Nylon Netting
- Foam Borders
- Paint
- Brushes
- Sand Paper
- Glue Packets

YOU WILL NEED:

- Scissors
- Ruler
- Cup of Water
- Paper Towel

PROJECT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Smooth the edges with sand paper, wipe dust off.

2. For each Bug House, you will need 1 bottom panel and 2 end panels. Be sure each person gets one end panel with a hole in it. Glue both ends to the wood bottom (Fig.1). Set aside to dry.

3. You can now begin to paint your Bug House starting with your background colors. Let each coat dry before painting on top of it. After you are finished painting your design, set aside to dry before moving on to the next step.

4. Measure and cut a piece of nylon netting approximately 5"x8" for the box covering. To attach the netting, spread glue along the long sides of the bottom panel and rounded edges of the end panels. Take a short side (5") of the netting and lay it along one side of the bottom panel. Carefully bring up the long sides (8") of the netting and attach them to the sides and top edges of the end panels. Gently pull the outer edges of the netting onto the edges of the bottom panel and end pieces. Smooth the glue with your finger to secure the netting to the edges from end to end. Don't worry if the netting is too big and hangs over the edge. You will trim the netting later. While the glue is still wet, carefully attach the short foam boarders along the edges of the bottom panel and the longer foam boarders along the edges of the end panels. If necessary, use a little more glue. Set aside to dry.

5. Trim off any excess netting along the wood edges. Insert cork into the hole of the end panel and your bug house is ready for it's new tenants!

FIGURE A