Making a Tiny Butterfly Net

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Tools: Scissors and a needle for sure and a thimble and needle threader if you want.



Supplies: A chenille stick, a piece of tulle, and thread



How to Make a Tiny Butterfly Net:

1. Use the shape at the top of the pattern page to help fold the chenille stick. First fold a circle on one end of the stick.



2. Shorten the handle by folding it in half.



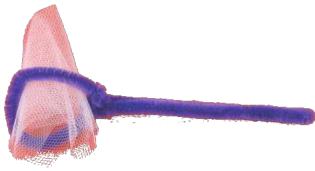
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3. Bend the ends of the stick around the circle. A grownup with pliers can help with this step.



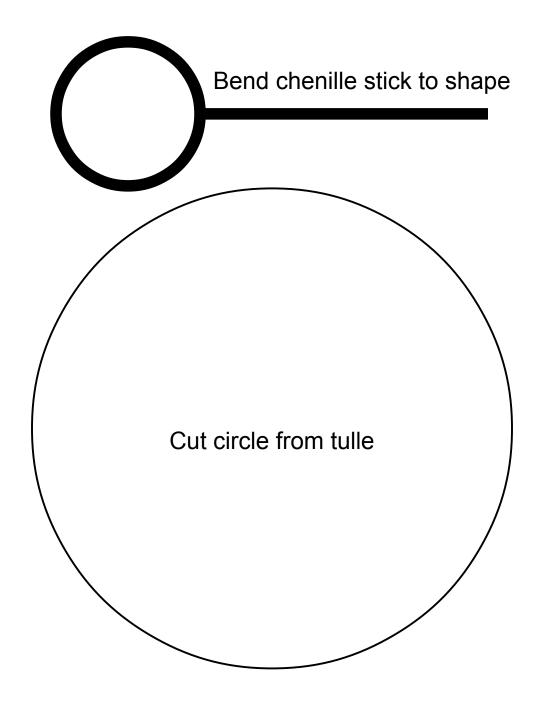
4. Cut a tulle circle using the circle pattern. Tuck the tulle inside the chenille stick opening.



5. Tuck the raw edges around the chenille stick circle and sew the tulle to the stick. If you like, you can ask a grownup to help with the sewing.







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The Butterfly and the Bee

(A Florabunda Funny Fable)



One time a girl named Florabunda was chasing butterflies with her butterfly net. One of her classmates, a girl named Bratsy, was watching her and started teasing her.

"Florabunda, you are no good at butterfly chasing, You don't ever catch anything."

"I don't care," said Florabunda. "If I ever caught a butterfly, I would just let it go again."

"Give me that net," said Bratsy. "I'm going to catch a butterfly and keep it in a glass jar."

Bratsy grabbed Florabunda's net and started running after butterflies.

Now a flower fairy lived in the woods where Florabunda had been chasing butterflies. She saw Bratsy grab Florabunda's net and decided that Bratsy needed to learn a lesson. The little fairy changed herself into a butterfly and flew off to find Bratsy.

When Bratsy saw the fairy disguised as a butterfly, she began to chase her. The fairy flew around for awhile, but she finally let Bratsy scoop her up in the net.

"I got one!" yelled Bratsy. "I'll just go find a jar to put it in."

Bratsy looked in the net to admire her butterfly. The fairy immediately turned herself into a bee. Bratsy jumped and dropped the net. The bee flew out of it and chased Bratsy all the way home. The fairy was really tenderhearted and did not give Bratsy the sting that she deserved.

Florabunda looked and looked until she found her net. She never tries too hard to catch butterflies, but she still enjoys chasing them.







The moral of the story is: Be careful about what you chase, because you might catch it.