



## How to Make a Toy Marshmallow Catapult

Give the kids something to shoot at that doesn't involve a video screen. Help them make a mini catapult then use marshmallows or pom-poms to shoot at targets. To make it easy, we've provide a numbered target you can just download and print.

### Tools

- foam paintbrush
- hot glue gun

### Materials

- 10 craft sticks/popsicle sticks
- 4 rubber bands
- craft paint
- 1 bottle cap
- "ammo" (marshmallows/pom-poms)

### The Simplest Toys are the Best

This catapult requires only a few materials, yet provides so much fun. You can make a variety of targets that they can use or they can create a course and use your catapult to get out of the course you create. You can work with other family members in a challenge or challenge your friends online. Directions for making the Catapult are shown below..

## Step 1



## Gather Tools and Materials

You will need: 10 craft sticks/popsicle sticks, four rubber bands, craft paint, a foam paintbrush, one bottle cap, a hot glue gun, "ammo" (marshmallows/pom-poms), and then [click here to download the target](#).

## Step 2



## Paint the Sticks

Paint all the craft sticks; they can be the same color or different colors. Let the paint dry completely.

## Step 3



## Attach Two Pieces for the Base

Once the paint is dry, rubber-band two sticks together at one end, then set aside.

## Step 4



## Make the Cross Piece/Wing

Stack the remaining eight sticks and rubber band them together at both ends.

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## Step 5



### Connect

Slide the stack of eight sticks in between the two sticks that you already banded together.

## Step 6



### Make an X at the Center

Use the fourth rubber band to secure all of the craft sticks together.

## Step 7



### Attach "Ammo" Holder

Use a hot glue gun to secure a bottle cap to the end of the catapult. This is a perfect little spot to set your marshmallow or small pom-pom.

## Step 8



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### Print Target

[Download and print the target.](#) Load up on mini marshmallows and have fun!