Knight Costume and Shield

A fun costume to let your child decorate to his or her satisfaction.

Parental supervision is recommended with cutting of the corrugated plastic. Corrugated plastic can be sharp if cut to a point, please be careful. Be sure to round all corners.

This project is rated AVERAGE to do.

What You Need

- Knight helmet (see below)
- Plastic or cardboard sword
- Corrugated plastic or cardboard for shield
- "Painters" paint markers (if using corrugated plastic)
- Craft paints and paintbrush (if using cardboard)
- Markers, optional (if using cardboard)
- Scissors (very sharp for corrugated plastic or regular scissors for cardboard)
- Velcro straps (used for tying up electrical cords)
- Gray sweat suit

How To Make It

1. Create the **Knight's helmet**.
2. If you wish to create a sword, cut corrugated cardboard out in the shape of a long sword with the handle. Be sure to round off the end of the sword.
3. Paint the sword. Let dry.
4. Cut a shield out of corrugated plastic or corrugated cardboard. If you are using corrugated plastic, make sure there are not any sharp edges or points.
5. If using corrugated plastic, let the child decorate with paint markers. If using corrugated cardboard, the child can use regular markers, paint markers, or craft paint. Let dry.
6. Cut two horizontal slits about 1" long in the middle of the shield above and below where the child would like the shield to sit on their wrist.
7. Run the Velcro Strap through the shield and to the back to fasten around their wrist.
   Note: The child may wish to have 2 straps to hold shield steady on their arm.
8. Have the child wear gray sweat suit, and add their helmet, sword, and shield.
9. Protect thy kingdom!

Tips

Corrugated plastic is made by several manufacturers. It is known as Stratocore or Coreplast, along with other names. I found 24"x18" sheets at our local Hobby Lobby. I found that if I purchased it from a signage store it was cheaper as long as I was going to make several projects out of it.

reference: www.kidsdomain.com