



**Craft**  
**Ages 9–12**  
**30 minutes**

## Spinners

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### Description

Create a cool image to swirl and amaze your friends.

### Competencies

- Creative and imaginative thinking
- Development of fine motor skills
- Cause and effect relationships
- Planning skills
- Creative expression
- Eye-hand coordination

### Materials

- Cardboard
- Paper
- Markers, paint or pencil crayons
- Twine
- Glue sticks
- Scissors

### Preparation

- Print the circle template for each participant
- Optional: If short on time for the activity, cut the twine to approximately 70 cms

## **Implementation**

1. Participants cut out the circles from the template
2. Use the circle cutouts as a guide to trace onto and then cut a cardboard circle
3. Use a glue stick to adhere the paper circles to both sides of the cardboard circle
4. Participants draw a landscape using markers, paint or pencil crayons
5. Create 2 holes in the circle, one in the center and another slightly beside it
6. Cut the twine to approximately 70 cms long
7. Run the twine into each hole in the spinner
8. Tie the two ends of the twine together in a knot to create a loop
9. Move the spinner to the center of the loop of twine
10. Experiment with rotating the spinner:
  - a) Hold a piece of the twine in each hand
  - b) Pull, relax, then pull on it again
  - c) Twist the twine by rotating it first to get more speed on your spinner
11. See how your landscape changes depending on how fast it spins

## **Book Suggestions**

*Summer Color!* by Diana Murray

*Utterly Amazing Earth* by Dougal Jerram

*You Are Never Alone* by Elin Kelsey

# Images and Templates



