READ and THINK before you ACT.



Leading through Reading

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Appreciating Family Love (6-8)

Not all families are the same, but there is always an adult or adults who care for the children. As we approach Mother's Day, let us take time to appreciate those in our lives who care for us. Those who care for children, whether they are moms or not, deserve some love and gratitude.

Respecting different types of families is important.



Read: <u>In Our</u> <u>Mother's House</u>

THINK

Who looks out for you? Who will you take time to appreciate on Mother's Day? Is it your mom or someone else?

ACT Show some love. Make these Tassel Flowers to express your love and gratitude!

Tassel Making Takes Practice

- 1. Gather materials & patience.
- 2. Place a pipe cleaner alongside your fork.
- 3. Wrap the fork and pipe cleaner with yellow yarn.
- 4. Wrap the yarn 25-30 times around the fork.
- 5. Twist the pipe cleaner together around the end of the yarn. Wrap it 3x down the stem and then back up toward the flower. This forms the base of the stem.
- 6. Cut a 4-inch piece of green yarn and tie it around the base of the flower- between the last prongs of the fork. Remove the tassel from the fork.
- 7. Knot the green yarn tightly two times.
- 8. Trim the ends of the green yarn close to the knot.
- 9. Cut an 8-inch piece of green yarn. Add a dot of glue near the green knot and attach the green yarn. Wrap the flower from the green knot down the stem. Wrap the yarn close together so that no yellow yarn shows
- 10. Wrap the green yarn until it is about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch from the end. Add a dot of glue to the flower base and secure the end of the yarn.
- 11. Cut the loops of the yellow yarn with
- 12. Use fork to fray the yarn slightly. Fluff the top. Trim and enjoy!

Source: Easy Tassel Flower Craft by brendid.com



If you do not have these (or similar) materials, you can make different flowers or cards (See Plan 52 or 53) or show your love and appreciation with your own creative gesture.

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