

Dress Like a Penguin: DIY Bow Ties

BOW TIE FUN FACTS

- The bow tie originated among Croatian mercenaries fighting wars during the 17th century; the mercenaries tied a scarf around their necks to keep their shirt openings closed.
- Today people wear bow ties as a clothing accessory with tuxedos or suits. The color scheme of a tuxedo (black and white) is similar to a penguin's coloring. This is why people like to dress pretend penguins in bow ties.
- There are three kinds of bow ties: a self-tie, pre-tied and clip on.
- August 28 is National Bow Tie Day.

YOU WILL NEED

Bow Tie printout
Construction paper or poster board
Crayons or markers
Fabric
Scissors
Tape
Other creativity tools found around your home

STEPS

1. Research and discuss the uses of bow ties. Which type of bow tie interests your child the most?
2. Design and make an elaborate or whimsical bow tie using a variety of creativity materials found around your home. Use the bow tie printout as a pattern if helpful.
3. Measure and loosely secure the bow tie around your child's neck using fabric or paper strips.

ADDITIONAL HOME EXTENSIONS

- Make separate matching or "mini me" bow ties for your waddle of penguins and other family members for the Penguins at Play Party.
- Wear your family's bow ties again on August 28, 2020 for National Bow Tie Day



Bow Tie Pattern

