

FATHER'S DAY SUCKERS AND NUTS GIFT

Supplies

- 10 to 12-oz. can Peanuts or other small nuts (Can about 3 to 3 ½" high and about 4" in diameter)
- 5 Suckers
- 5 Straws, about ¼" in diameter
- Screwdriver (thoroughly washed) that will fit inside ¼" straw and has at least a 4" long shaft (the metal part extending from the handle)
- 5' (60") of 3/8" or 1/4" wide ribbon
- 20" of ½" to 1" wide ribbon (or hem tape, bias tape, or whatever you have)
- Brown Paper Grocery Bag
- 1 Sheet Plain White or Colored Lightweight Paper about 8 ½" x 11"
- Plastic Wrap
- Large and Small Rubber Band
- Glue Stick
- Black Felt Pen
- Transparent or Masking Tape
- Ruler
- Pencil & Eraser
- Scissors
- 2 Crayons or Colored Pencils (one vivid color & one white)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUCKERS AND NUTS GIFT:

1. Cut 5 strips of paper about 10-1/2 to 12" long and about 1-1/4" wide from the plain sheet of lightweight paper. (1-1/4" is about the width of most rulers. That may make it quick to draw the strips.)
2. Write one reason you think your dad is great on each strip of paper.
3. Cut the 5 straws to 4" length.
4. Put a small piece of transparent or masking tape on the back of one end of one of the paper strips and attach it to one end of one of the straws. Top of the strip should line up with the top of the straw as you roll it on tightly.
5. When rolled on tight, take the smaller rubber band and place it tight around the top of the rolled up paper strip. Tie a 12" piece of ribbon in a very tight bow around the middle of the paper strip. Remove the rubber band.
6. Do step #'s 4 & 5 for the other 4 straws and paper strips.
7. Cut a strip from the brown paper bag about 14" long by the height of the nut can.
8. Write "NUTS ABOUT YOU, DAD!" in pencil on bottom half in center of brown paper bag strip. (If you are giving it to someone other than a dad, replace the word "DAD" with something else, such as "UNCLE DARYL," "GRANDPA," or just a name.) When you're pleased with your lettering, go over it with black felt pen. Erase any visible pencil lines.
9. Remove lid from nuts. Put glue on one end of back of brown paper bag strip. Wrap strip tightly around can and glue end down. Put lid on bottom of can.
10. Cut piece of plastic wrap about 10" x 10". Remove seal from top of nuts. Place plastic wrap over top of can tightly and put larger rubber band on to hold plastic wrap tightly in place.
11. Use felt pen to make five dots on plastic wrap, evenly spread in circle about ½" from edge of can.
12. Push screwdriver through one of the black dots and work it straight down to bottom of nut can to make a space for one of the straws. Put one of straws on screwdriver with paper strip closer to handle, then push straw to bottom of can.
13. Tie the 20" piece of ribbon tightly around the can, about ½" from top of can, with knot only (no bow). Trim some of the excess plastic wrap, if needed. Cut off rubber band.
14. Place the five suckers in the straws.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUCKERS AND NUTS CARD:

1. Print off card and carefully trim edges off along outside line.
2. Fold up ¾" at the bottom to the side with no writing.
3. Fold card in thirds, with writing on the inside, using markings at the top and bottom as guides.
4. Sign the card. (Write to whom you are giving it on "To" flap if you're not giving it to a dad.)
5. Slide the "Happy Father's Day" flap into the "To" flap to keep it closed until it's opened.
6. Cut a 2" x 5" piece from the brown paper sack. Draw a sucker with a happy face with a pencil. (You could trace around a small lid for the round part of the sucker. Use your ruler to make a straight sucker stick.) When you are pleased with your drawing, go over it with a felt pen. Erase any visible pencil lines. Then color the round part of the sucker a vivid color and the stick white. Glue the sucker picture on the front of the card.

