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## Toilet Paper Roll Octopus

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<https://onelittleproject.com/paper-roll-dragon-craft/>

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### DESCRIPTION

Make an octopus out of an old toilet paper roll and watch its tentacles sway in the water!

### MATERIALS

- Body of octopus:
  - 1 toilet paper roll
  - 1 sheet of construction paper or washable paint
- Tentacles: Reuse strips of paper or plastic (bags, packaging etc)
- **Optional:** 2 medium sized pom-poms or googly eyes, paint and crayons
- Glue
- Pencil or Markers
- Ruler
- Scissors

### INSTRUCTIONS

**Step 1 - Make body of the octopus:** Using your pencil and ruler, cut construction paper to be the same size as the toilet paper roll so the roll can be completely covered by paper. Use glue to attach the paper to your toilet paper roll.

*Optional: Instead of wrapping in paper, you can paint or colour the toilet paper roll however you like.*

**Step 2 - Make tentacles:** Use paper or plastic materials from home and cut them up into 8 strips, one for each tentacle. Each strip should be around 9 – 10 inches (15-25 cm) long. Decorate each tentacle, using paint or markers and then set aside to dry.

**Step 3 - Make eyes:** Draw eyes towards top end of toilet paper roll, using paint or markers.

*Optional: Use glue to attach one googly eye to each pom-pom and then glue onto one end of toilet paper roll.*

**Step 4 - Attach Tentacles:** Use glue to attach the tentacles to the inside of the paper tube, making sure to attach them to the end without eyes.

**Step 5 - Decorate!** Feel free to decorate your octopus with other things – paint, crayons, etc!



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