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Overview

For this task the children will get into teams of 3-4 and using unwanted junk from home and a few bits from you they will create a 'Fantasy Machine'.

Preparation Before The Meeting

1. Print out the 'Fantasy Machine Inventors' items sheet – found in this document - you need one for each child to take home - there are 3 copies on the page
2. Print out the 'Dream Distiller' picture - found in this document - you need one for each team of four - there are 2 copies on the page
3. Gather materials see '*Materials Needed*' below

Materials Needed

In addition to the junk that the children will bring in here's a list of items to be arranged by the leader. You may want to bring in a couple of items yourself in case some children forget.

This list is a set for each team of 4

- Piece of rope
- Glue
- Rubber Bands
- Stapler
- Safety pins
- Old Newspapers/magazines
- Pens, Crayons/Colours

Preparation at the meeting

1. Arrange the items brought in by the leader on each groups table
2. As the children arrive get each team to put their junk in a pile on the floor near their table

Leader Speak The Week Before

1. **Speak** - The next task you need to do for your 'My World Challenge Badge' is to make something from unused items. So next week you are going to be a team of "Fantasy Machine Makers[©]". This is your chance to be creative and innovative and to explore the possibilities of an invention by recycling unwanted items from your home. I want everyone to bring in some items from home that you are not using, it could be... [just name a few]

Used Electric Wires
Ropes
Soda Cans
Newspapers/magazines
Plastic Bags
A piece of hose pipe
Used Caps
Empty medicine bottles
Used wool
Used candles

Cartons
Broken earphones
Water Bottles
Used Cardboard boxes
Tissue Paper Rolls
Old T-Shirt
Old Dog Collar
Old Shoe Laces
Rubber Bands
Old Audio Cassette Tape

Plastic Cups
Straws
Old used plastic
utensil/cutlery
Used Air Freshener
Old tyre
Unused pieces of wood

2. **Action** – Give each child the junk list so they can take it home to their parents.

Leader Speak/Directions On The Night

1. **Speak** - As I mentioned last week today in teams you are going to create your very own 'Fantasy Machine'. I think you can all create something fascinating! We will do this in teams of 4
2. **Action** - Split the children into their teams
3. **Speak** - Here's a picture of something I created a long time ago it's called a 'Dream Distiller'
4. **Action** - Hand out the picture to each team
5. **Speak** - It's just to give you an idea of what's possible. Spend 5 minutes discussing in your teams what sort of machine you could create then using the materials on your table and the unused items you each bought today create your machine
6. **Speak** - You have 45 mins to come up with your invention

Optional

You may want to have a competition at the end. You can get some external judges to judge the inventions either on the same night or the following week.

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| • A piece of hose pipe | • Old T-Shirt | • Old tyre |
| • Used Caps | • Old Dog Collar | • Unused pieces of wood |
| • Empty medicine bottles | • Old Shoe Laces | |
| • Used wool | • Rubber Bands | |
| • Used candles | | |

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