



Flower Flags

Floriography: In the Victorian era, people would often send flowers to one another as messages. Certain flowers would have certain meanings. For instance, yellow roses mean “let’s be friends”.

Materials: Calico Fabric, Fresh Flowers or Leaves, Thin cardboard, Tape, Hammer, Cord, & Toothpicks

Instructions:

- 1) Parents: Sew the top of the fabric to create an opening later for the cord to go into.
- 2) Place the side of the flower or leaf you want printed, face up on a hard surface. Then put the calico fabric face down on top of the plant.
- 3) Tape down a thin piece of cardboard to the table surface so it doesn't move.
- 4) Have your child hammer on top of the cardboard (Be careful of little fingers getting in the way!)
- 5) Pull back the cardboard and check the flower transfer. Lightly pound any areas that were missed.
- 6) Gently peel back flower
- 7) Tape a toothpick to the end of the cord and string it through your flower flag.
- 8) Repeat with however many flower flags you would like.



Take it further: Read “Fletcher and the Springtime Blossoms” by Julia Rawlinson. YouTube Read-Aloud: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RXU2KYQRir8>

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