

# Pipe Cleaner (Chenille Stick) DRAGONFLY

CHOOSE FOUR PIPE CLEANERS: One for the body/abdomen, two for the wings, one for the thorax.



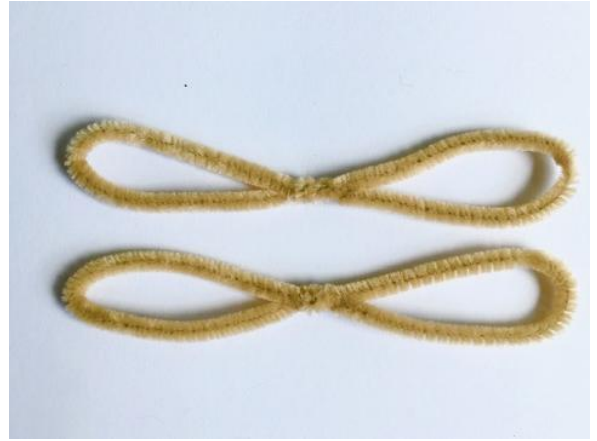
**FOR THE BODY:** Bend a one stick in half, then cross one side over the other around the tip of your finger. This loop will be your head. Then twist the two ends together to form the body.

**FOR THE WINGS:** Bend them in half to find the middle of each stick. One stick will make two wings. Loop one end of one half to the middle and twist it in place. Do the same with the other end. They meet in the middle.



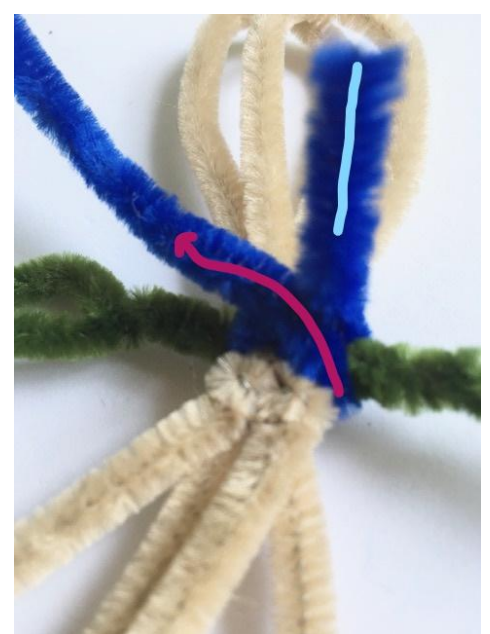
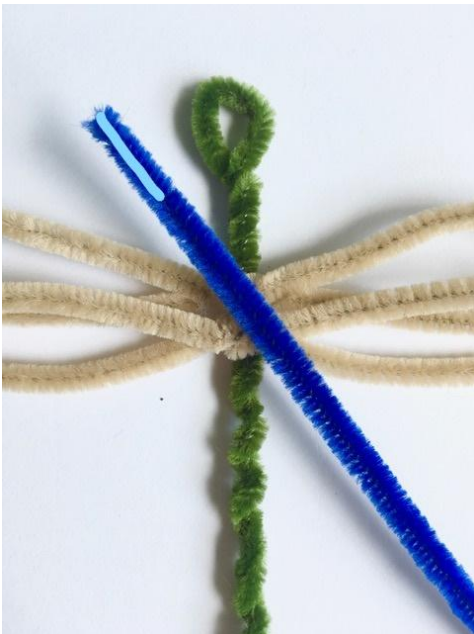
Make another set of wings, which will give you the four wings in all.

Place them near the head of the dragonfly leaving room to wrap the fourth stick criss-crossed around the two wing pairs in order to attach them to the body. This fourth stick is your thorax.



**FOR THE THORAX:** Twist the final stick around the two wings and leave **one end sticking up** as the place to tie your hanging string. This enables you to move this “tab” forward and backward to adjust the balance of the dragonfly so it flies upward, downward or level .

NEXT tightly wrap the thorax stick criss-cross over the “shoulders” and circle around the “neck” and behind the wings.





**TIE YOUR STRING or MONOFILAMENT** onto the stick-up tab and test the balance of your dragonfly. Moving the tab forward or backward will help you find the angle at which you wish your dragonfly to fly. (You can press them down into the thorax when you've adjusted it.) Make several in different colors to

hang together in a group. Or just fly them by holding the string and let them land on rocks, leaves, or perch them atop branches or poles!

