"Great Dads Make Us Glad" Craft Ideas for Father's Day

Happy Father's Day! While cards may not be as flowery or fancy as those we create for Mother's Day, there are a lot of fun items that lend themselves to dear old dad. There are definitely abundant options when it comes to more "masculine" elements: tools, camping, golf, cars...here are a few possible suggestions to consider when coming up with fun and simple crafts for fathers. Add personal and creative flair as suits you, and have fun creating trinkets and presents for dads!

*Note: Encourage students to make items for another male role model, if biological fathers are not as much a figure in their lives.

Bible Verses or Craft Captions to Consider...

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. -Exodus 20:12

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" -Romans 8:15

If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him! -Matthew 7:11

Dad's toolbox is full of wonderful things! Some of them include...

I am "tied up" with love...Happy Father's Day!

Dad ROCKS! Thanks for who you are!

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Craft one: "Dad's Toolbox"

You will need:

- Construction paper or card stock
- Markers, stickers, or other decorating materials
- Scissors
- Envelopes or boxes
- Foam or felt pieces (optional)

Procedure:

- Trace "tool" shapes onto pieces of paper or felt, drawing outlines of things like hammers, saws, screwdrivers, or other tools.
- 2. Cut out the various "tools" and add extra decorations, if desired.
- 3. Write on the "tools" positive attributes of dad, or turn them into coupons for special chores or time with dad.
- 4. Decorate the envelope or box/container to reflect the "toolbox" theme.
- 5. Place the paper or fabric tools inside the box/envelope. Deliver to dad for Father's Day!







Craft Two: "Dad Rocks!"

You will need:

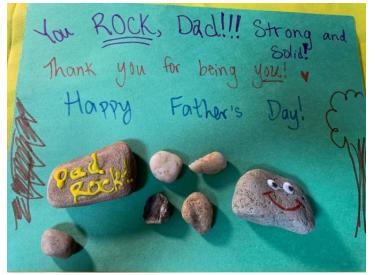
- Craft rocks, or real stones (various sizes)
- Construction paper or fabric (background)
- Glue
- Puffy paint or acrylic paint
- Extra decorations (googly eyes, etc.)
- Permanent markers
- Markers or crayons (optional)

Procedure:

- 1. Choose a few rocks, in assorted shapes and sizes.
- 2. Decorate rocks with paint, fabric paint, or permanent markers.
- 3. Add extra decorations as desired, such as pom-poms, google eyes, glitter, or stickers.
- 4. Decorate paper (or small bags or boxes) with captions and notes, and a "backdrop" if desired.
- 5. Place rocks within the "framework" of the decoration and present to remind fathers that "dad rocks!"







Craft Three: "Tied up Card"

You will need:

- Construction paper or fabric
- Scissors
- Glue
- Markers, crayons, or colored pencils
- Extra decorations (stickers, glitter, etc.)
- String, pipe cleaner, or ribbon

Procedure:

- 1. Cut paper or fabric/cloth into the shape of a tie.
- 2. Decorate tie-shape as a card, adding captions, words, and messages.
- 3. Add stickers or other extra decorations as desired.
- 4. Attach to a small jar of candy or bottle of soda, or simply attach a string or pipe cleaner to hang as decoration.









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