

TOILET PAPER TUBE LEPRECHAUN



Since tomorrow is St. Patrick's Day, what could be more appropriate (and needed) right now than a little leprechaun luck. And, given the interesting situation that we currently find ourselves in, I imagine that everyone who has been stockpiling toilet paper will have the main material for this project at their disposal.

Enjoy!

MATERIALS:

- **1** cardboard toilet paper tube
- **1** sheet of or plain white paper – if you have foam paper or cardstock these are better, but don't use construction paper which tends to fold when rolling
- Markers or crayons
- Glue (or tape)

MAKING THE LEPRECHAUN



Cut 1 strip of paper that is 2"x11", color it green, and then cut it into 2 pieces (2"x6" and 2"x5").

(Make sure to place a piece of scrap paper underneath

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Glue the 2"x6" strip in place, wrapped around the bottom half of the toilet paper tube.

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The exposed portion of the toilet paper tube will be the leprechaun's face. Use markers to decorate with eyes, nose, mouth, ears, etc.

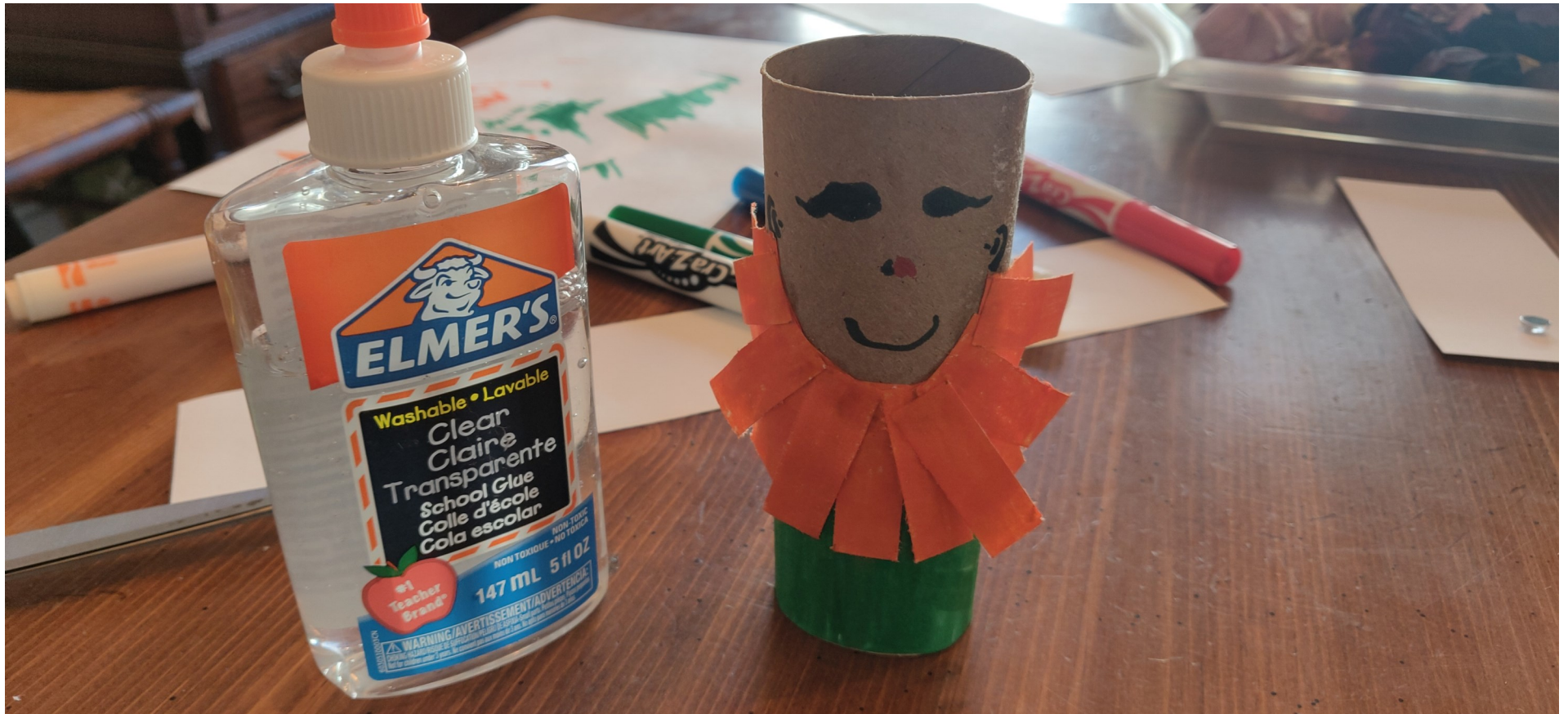
(If you have any googly eyes laying around the house, this is the time to use them.)

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Cut a strip of paper 1½"x8". Color orange and cut into smaller 1½"x½" strips.

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Glue the strips of orange paper in a U shape around the leprechaun's face. This is its wild beard!

MAKING THE LEPRECHAUN'S HAT



Take the 2"x5" strip of green paper, roll it into a cylinder that is a little narrower than the toilet paper tube, and glue together.

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Cut another strip of paper $\frac{1}{2}$ "x5", color it black and glue it in place, wrapped around the hat about $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the bottom.

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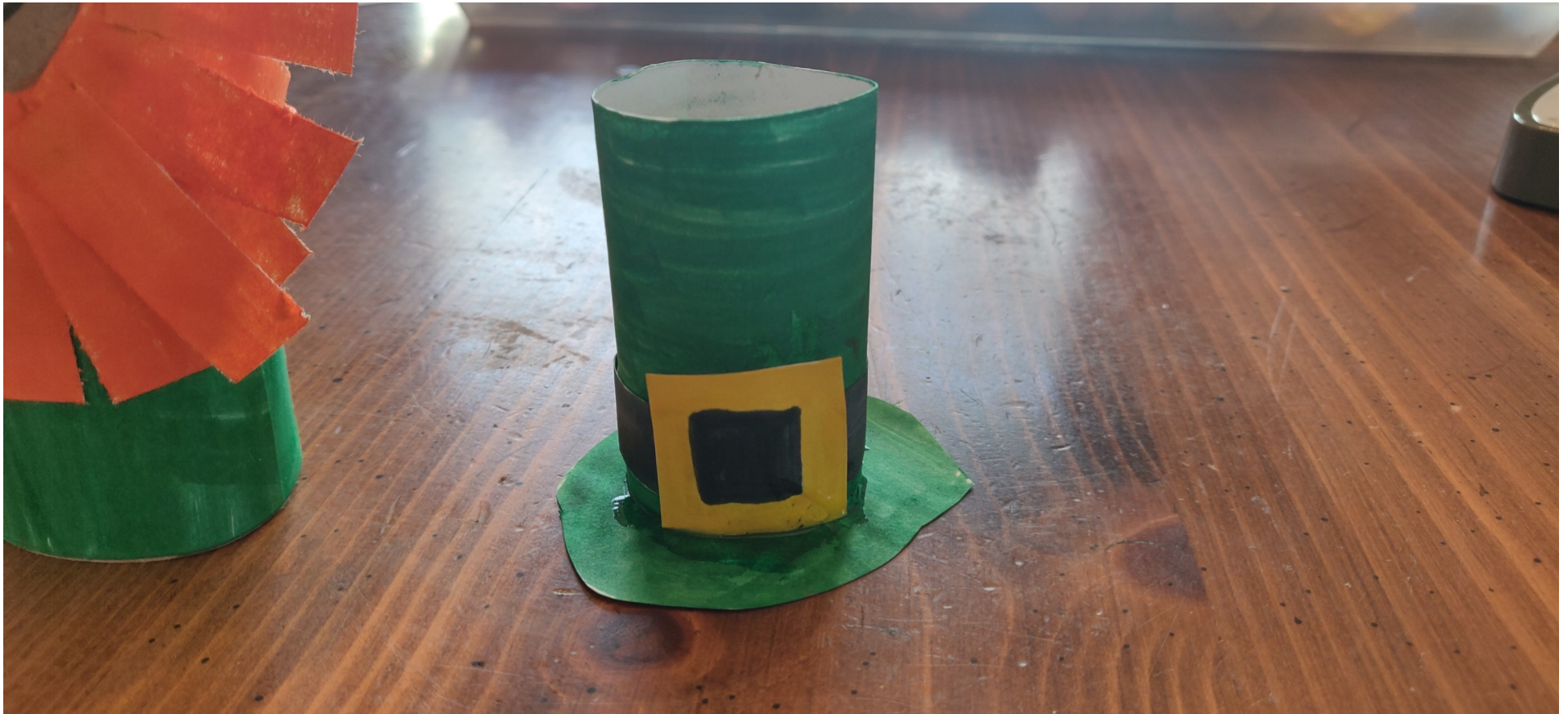
Cut out a 1"x1" square of paper. Color the outer $\frac{1}{4}$ " yellow and the inner $\frac{3}{4}$ "x $\frac{3}{4}$ " square black. Center and glue the buckle on top of the black strip [belt] so that it is flush with the bottom of the hat base. It should appear as though the belt is looping through the buckle.

MAKING THE LEPRECHAUN'S HAT



Cut a circle of paper that is slightly larger than the diameter of the toilet paper tube and color it green on both sides. We traced the tube as a reference and then cut the circle slightly larger than what we traced.

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Center and glue this circle to the bottom of the hat base.

(OPTIONAL - You can also cut out a circle that is roughly the same diameter of the hat to close it at the top if you wish.)

FINISHING THE LEPRECHAUN

Glue the hat to the head/body and you're done!

We added a spare button we had lying around just for the fun of it. 😊

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

