

Activity 2 (Coasts & Waters)



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Bobbing Boats

Suitable for ages 3 plus with some adult help.

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Super easy little bobbing boats using household items that can be as simple or as fancy as you want! How many different types can you make and which type is fastest? Don't forget to show us your flotillas, armadas and fleets on social media with #elginmuseumfromhome.

First gather your materials –

- Corks
- Pennies
- Toothpicks
- Paper
- Pencils/crayons (ink is will run and your boats are likely to get wet!)



Next you need to get an adult to make a small split along the cork with a sharp knife, big enough to squeeze the penny into. This makes the keel or underside of your boat, adding the weight of the penny means that the cork is bottom heavy and this section will stay down in the water, even when you add your mast and sails.



Now for the fun bit! Once you add your toothpick mast you can get creative with your sails and flags!

