

# Elsecar by the Sea

## A virtual day of fun

Summer  
Staycation  
Club!

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ages

### Floating boat

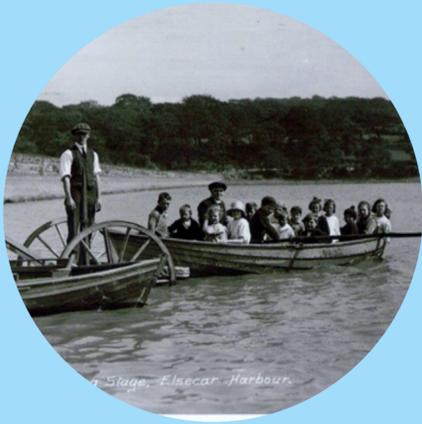


You will need:

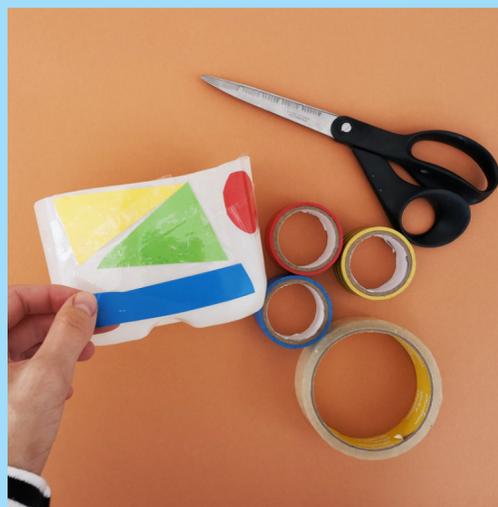
- A 2 or 4 pint plastic milk bottle
- Scissors
- Coloured paper
- Sellotape and if you have it, electrical or gaffa tape for decorating
- A pipe cleaner or straw
- Felt tips
- A jug of water
- Access to a sink



The beautiful reservoir in Elsecar has its nickname 'Elsecar by the Sea' from years ago, when families used to travel from miles around to visit the reservoir on a sunny day. Families could even pay to go out on a boat. You can make a boat that might float on water using recycled objects and coloured paper.



Ask an adult to help you to cut the milk bottle in half.



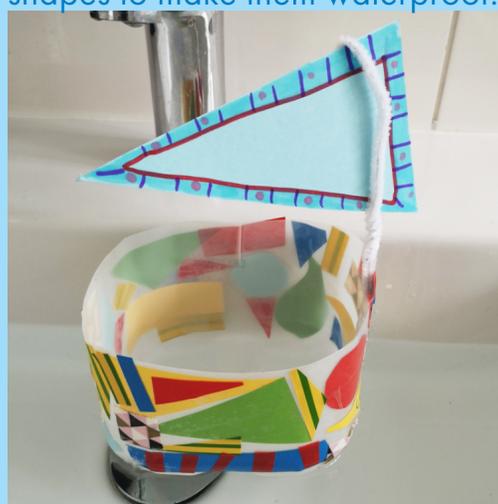
Using coloured paper shapes, the electrical tape/duct tape, decorate your boat. Use Sellotape over your cut out paper shapes to make them waterproof.



Cut out a sail from coloured paper. You can decorate it too. Then using your pipe cleaner, attach it to the sail. You can wrap and knot it round or use tape



Tape the bottom of the pipe cleaner to the inside of your boat.



Fill some water in the sink (or bath) and see if your boat floats.



Now using the jug of water, test out how much water your boat can hold before it starts to sink! You can also test out other weights in the boat to see how much it can hold....perhaps a bar of soap or a tube of toothpaste!

\* Safety notice: this boat is designed for use in a sink, bath or paddling pool and not open water. Remember children need to be supervised at all times by an adult during water play as even a small amount of water can cause drowning