

Fancy Dress Ideas for Kids

How to Make a Maids Cloth Cap

You will need:-

White material

Tape measure

White elastic cotton

Normal white cotton

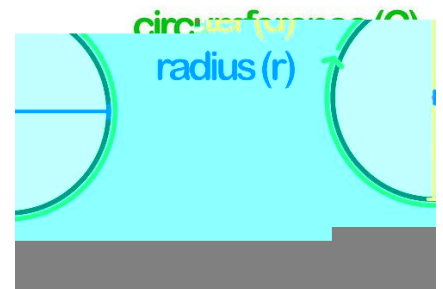
Binding tape or white Ribbon

Lace (optional)



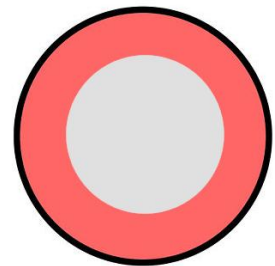
1. Measure your child's head, add 15cm. This gives you the circumference for the circle you need to draw.

2. You will need to work out the radius of your circle using some simple maths (and a calculator). To calculate the radius you need to divide the circumference by 6.28 (2π). To work out the diameter simply multiply the radius by 2.

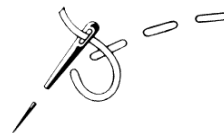


3. Find a plate or something round with the correct diameter (or a close as possible) to draw round as this will give you a better circle. If you cannot find anything you can use two pencils and a piece of string. The string should be tied to the two pencils with the length of the string between the two being equal to the radius of your circle.

4. Now find another slightly larger plate or object. Ideally it should have a diameter 8cm bigger than your smaller circle. Centre the larger one over the circle you have already drawn and draw round it to give a second circle.



5. Cut out round the edge of the outer circle. With the elastic tread sew a basic running stitch around the line of the inner circle.



6. Pull the elastic tread so that it gathers the caps, and fit on your child's head. When you are satisfied tie off the thread and cut. Make sure your hat is not too tight.

7. Use some binding tape or white ribbon to hem round the edge of the cap. Fold the tape over the edge and with normal white cotton sew on with a small running stitch. To make your cap a bit prettier sew some lace around the outside edge as well.