

Duct Tape Brownie Try-it

Girl Scouts like to use their resources wisely and be prepared!

Have you ever needed to repair something quickly? Duct tape has many uses for fun and repairs and it doesn't cost a lot. Learn how to make quick fixes on camping trips, sleepovers and even troop meetings. Discover how strong it is, how it got its name and fun ideas for duct tape.

1. Be prepared! Discover the ways you can use duct tape for simple repairs; like a torn tent, broken backpack strap, book cover, craft repair. Ask an adult to share a story of how they used duct tape for a repair
2. Try different types of tapes. Which tape works the best for the situation? You may want to experiment with masking tape, scotch tape, plastic tape, clear mailing tape and double-sided tape. Test it out: Use a cardboard box, a piece of paper and a piece of cloth. Try taping the various tapes to the cardboard box, paper and cloth. Which comes off easily? Which one sticks the best? Which one holds them all together?
3. Make up a game using duct tape. Ideas: Make a ring toss game by making rings out of duct tape. Use duct tape to construct an obstacle course. Use the roll of duct tape for a broom hockey puck. Use the roll of duct tape to construct a tic-tac-toe board on the sidewalk.
4. Discover the history of duct tape or how it is made. Where did the name come from?
5. Make a craft using duct tape. Ideas: wallet, purse, roses, jewelry, tiara, lunch bag, sit-upon. You can find many ideas by using the internet
6. How strong is duct tape? Test the weight and strength. Take a long strip of duct tape (be careful not to let the sticky sides touch each other). Have two girls each hold an end of the tape, sticky side down. Have girls stick cans of food to the tape or other heavy items. How many cans does it hold? Can that tape hold more than you?
7. Have you ever seen a duct tape dress? Discover the fashion of duct tape. Have an adult help you look up fashion ideas on the internet or check out a book at the library. Draw a picture using your own ideas of what a duct tape garment may look like.

**Try-Its can be purchased at La Tienda
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