



Build Your Own Wooden Spinning Top



Activity Supplies and Materials

- $\frac{1}{4}$ " wooden dowel rod
- Wooden wheels with $\frac{1}{4}$ " pre drilled hole
- Pencil sharpener
- Hand saw
- Sandpaper (optional)
- Glue (optional)
- Natural paints (optional)
- Paint brush (optional)

Instructions

Cut dowel rods into 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " or 2" lengths with the hand saw. Use the pencil sharpener to sharpen one end of the dowel rod, as shown.



Insert sharpened dowel rod into a wooden wheel. The dowel rod should fit snugly. If the dowel is too thick, try sanding it gently and try pushing into the wheel again. If the dowel fits too loosely, try adding a small amount of glue.

Painting your wooden top might not be necessary, but it is really fun. Watercolor paints work well.

