

Tiger Salamander Craft

Tiger Salamanders live all over North America, but are the only salamander that live in Utah. Depending on where a Tiger Salamander lives, their colors and patterns will vary. For example, if a salamander was born in dark, murky water, they would typically be a plain, solid color. On the other hand, if a salamander is born in clear water, they will often be a brighter color with stripes or spots to blend in with the shadows and light reflecting in the clear water.

Today we are going to make a salamander craft!

Materials

- A clothespin
- Paper
- Markers
- Glue
- Scissors

Instructions

1. Begin by drawing a salamander on a piece of paper. Make sure the salamander is a little bit bigger than the clothespin.
2. Color the salamander! You can color it based on where you think it might live.
3. Cut out the salamander you have colored, and cut a line where the mouth would open.
4. Color a small strip of paper pink, cut it out.
5. Draw, color, and cut out a small insect of your choice – tiger salamanders like to eat all kinds of insects!
6. Carefully glue the insect to the pink strip of paper.
7. Glue the pink strip of paper to one side of the clothespin so if you were to open the clothespin, you would see the insect.
8. Glue the salamander cut out to the other side of the clothespin.
9. If you open the clothespin, it should look like the salamander is eating the insect!
10. When you are done, it should look something like this:

