

# How to Make a Recycled Skeleton



## What you'll need :

- (8) 1 gallon milk jugs (4 jugs are needed for the head, ribs and hips,  $\frac{1}{2}$  gallon containers may be used for the other bones)
- Magic marker for tracing (light color recommended)
- Hot glue gun
- Fishing line
- One hole punch
- Scissors
- Craft knife

## Instructions :

- Cut the eyes, nose and mouth out of the face template leaving the paper intact. Tape to 1 gallon jug (spout side down). Trace inside holes. Remove template and cut out the pieces. You can use the craft knife to make holes to get started.
- Cut the pieces out of the rib section template. This time we are tracing around the pieces. First line up the triangular top piece right under the spout. Trace around this. Next position the long piece along the bottom of the jug and trace it. Finally place the rib pieces along each side and trace. Cut out all pieces.
- Now we'll attach the head to the rib section. Glue the spouts together.
- Next we'll need to make some shoulders. No template for this one. Trace a circle (half dollar size) around each of the areas where the handle attaches to the jug. Cut around the circles and pull the handle off. We will glue these to the rib section. The bottom part of the handles will attach to the body. Punch a hole in the top part of the handle this is where we will later attach the arm sections with fishing line.



- The hips are drawn free handed. You will be working on the side opposite the handle. Starting at the left and right seams draw a line from the top of the spout right to where there is a bend in the jug and stop. Next starting from the center seam go down about 2 ½ inches below the bend and draw about 1 ½ inch horizontal line. Now connect this with where you stopped at the left and right seams. Cut out. You will need 2 of these but the easiest way to cut the second one is to use the first as a template. Next using the hot glue gun glue the 2 halves

together. Punch holes in the lower sections on each side. This is where we will later attach the leg sections with fishing line.

- We will need 2 each of the remaining pieces, hands, feet, arm and leg bones. Trace out the pieces from the templates and align on jug. Trace and then cut out. Use the hole punch and punch a hole out on each end of the leg and arm bones and then punch out the heel and palm side of the feet and hands. Tie together with fishing line.
- Attach the arm and leg sections to the shoulders and hips accordingly with fishing line.
- Using the craft knife cut out a small hole on the top of the head to run line through. Make a loop and tie off. You will use this to hang your finished skeleton.









