

Treasure islands

For each child you will need:

Cardboard eggbox base; newspaper; flour and water paste; scraps of coloured paper, shiny paper and so on; glue; poster paint; brushes; jar of water; paper towel; scissors

The treasure islands will need to be made over two days. Mix the flour and water to a glue-like consistency. Tear newspaper into small pieces and soak in the glue. Cover the eggbox base with layers of papier-mâché and allow to dry overnight. Paint island scene on to the dry papier-mâché. Make palm trees from strips of green paper by rolling half an A4 sheet (cut lengthways) tightly and cutting slits in one end of the tube to about half way down (to form fronds). Pull out the fronds and curl with scissors. Affix to island by making a tab on the base. Decorate with small paper shell shapes, blue shiny paper for rivers and so on.

