The rainbow cloud craft is a fun activity that will help little ones to create a rainbow using simple household items! This fantastic craft assists children to recognise all of the colours of the rainbow! This is also a fun craft that explores the weather, whilst also improving fine motor skills.

## **Materials**

- Paper plate
- Glue
- Child friendly scissors
- Cotton balls
- A variety of coloured streamers or tissue paper (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, pink, purple).
- Ribbon or string to hang.



## **Helpful Hints**

A parent or carer should be around during craft time. Keep safe and have fun.

Create a small hole at the top of the plate and use a ribbon or string to attach a loop to hang your craft (a parents help may be needed).

Pull apart the cotton balls to create fluffier clouds.

## **Extend/Enrich**

Test how many cotton clouds you can fit onto the paper plate? Can you fit 10, 15 or even 20 onto the plate?

This is a great colour recognition craft. A parent or carer can ask the child to say each of the colours of the rainbow out loud whilst gluing them to the rainbow cloud.

For additional colour development activities try the *Traffic Match* or the *Pom-Pom Caterpillar* activities available on the Reading Eggs Junior website.



## HOW to make your rainbow clouds!

 Fold the paper plate in half and carefully cut along the fold.



2. Cut lots of coloured streamers.



3. Flip the plate over and glue on the streamers onto the straight edge of the paper plate (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, pink).



**4.** Flip the plate back over and cover the white with lots of glue.



5. Fill the paper plate with as many cotton balls as you can fit and leave to dry.

