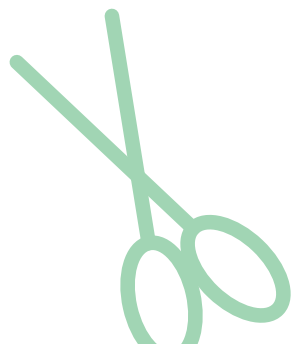




CRAFT ACTIVITY

MAKE YOUR OWN MACE



INTRO

WHAT IS A MACE?

The Mace represents the transfer of power from the Monarch to Parliament and is a symbol of the Speaker's authority or power to oversee the meetings of the Legislative Assembly. The Mace must always be in the Chamber for the Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) to meet and pass laws. At the beginning of every day the Legislature meets, the Sergeant-at-Arms carrying the Mace on the shoulder, leads the Speaker's Procession into the Chamber and places it on the Clerk's Table.

**RIGHT: THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS
CARRYING THE MACE**



Once the Mace is in its proper place,
the meeting of Parliament can begin.
The Mace looks like a long sceptre
decorated with many details like leaves,
initials, a crown, and diamonds.

**ABOVE AND RIGHT: CLOSE-UPS OF THE
CURRENT LEGISLATIVE MACE**



DID YOU KNOW?

ONTARIO'S CURRENT MACE WAS CREATED IN OTTAWA IN 1867.

Learn more about this amazing parliamentary symbol!

IN 2009, TWO DIAMONDS WERE ADDED TO THE CENTRE OF THE CROWN. ONE OF THEM IS INSCRIBED WITH THE ASSEMBLY'S MOTTO: *AUDI ALTERAM PARTEM* OR "HEAR THE OTHER SIDE."

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO MACE IS MADE OUT OF COPPER ON THE INSIDE AND IS PLATED IN GOLD ON THE OUTSIDE. IT WEIGHS ABOUT 22LBS OR 10KG!

IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY BELOW THE CROWN, YOU WILL SEE THE LETTERS "ER VII." THESE ARE THE INITIALS OF KING EDWARD VII – THE SON OF QUEEN VICTORIA.



ABOVE: CLOSE-UP OF THE ORIGINAL CUP WITH QUEEN VICTORIA'S INITIALS.
LEFT: THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO MACE.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S INITIALS ARE ON THE ORIGINAL CUP SINCE SHE WAS THE MONARCH AT THE TIME THE MACE WAS CREATED.



ACTIVITY STEPS

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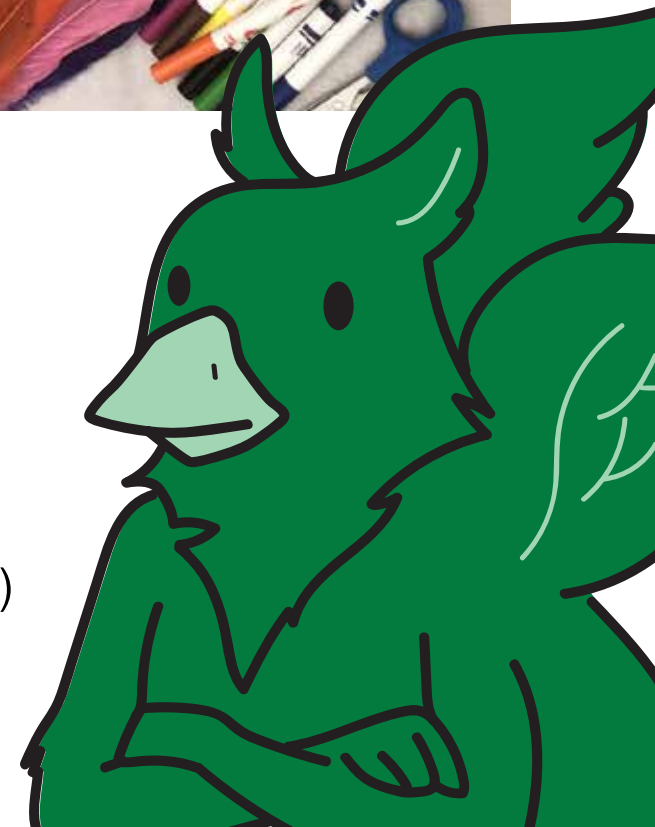


**RIGHT: CRAFT
SUPPLIES**

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

For this activity, it helps if you have:

- A long tube (like a paper towel roll)
- A Styrofoam ball
- Scissors
- Glue (hot glue gun or tape would also work)
- Tissue paper, glitter, stickers, pipe cleaners, jewels, etc.
- Foam paper or construction paper
- Modeling clay (optional)
- Gold paint (optional)



STEP 1

MAKE THE BASE OF YOUR MACE

Glue the Styrofoam ball to one end of the tube to make the shape of your Mace. Cover the entire thing with tissue paper or paint it gold.



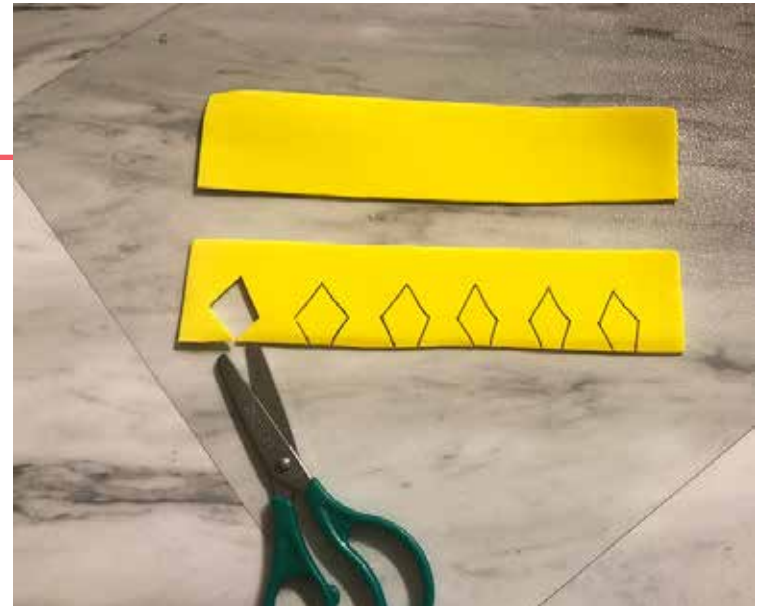
RIGHT: MAKING THE
BASE OF A MACE.



STEP 2

CREATE THE CROWN

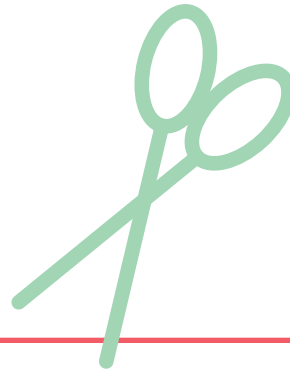
Twist two pipe cleaners together and glue them onto the opposite sides of the Styrofoam ball creating an arch. Repeat on the other side. Cut out a crown shape from your construction paper or foam paper that will go around the base of the Styrofoam ball – be creative with the shape of your crown! Glue the crown around the base of the Styrofoam ball, over the pipe cleaners to help hold them in place.



ABOVE
AND RIGHT:
FOAM PAPER
PIECES FOR A
CROWN, AND
“DIAMONDS”
FOR THE CENTRE
OF THE MACE.



STEP 3



ADD THE LEAVES

Using scissors, cut out 6 to 8 leaves from your foam paper or construction paper (depending on the size of your Mace). If you are using modelling clay, you can shape the leaves out of clay instead of paper. Don't forget to decorate your leaves using paint, markers or glitter. Use the leaves to help hold the tube to the Styrofoam ball. Use glue to secure each one in place.



RIGHT: DECORATIVE LEAVES MADE FROM MODELING CLAY.

STEP 4

DECORATE

Time to decorate your Mace! Add some extra sparkle with jewels and glitter – don't forget to add your initials too! Use your favourite colours, numbers, sports, flowers, or hobbies to personalize your Mace. Use your imagination and be creative!

RIGHT: THE CROWN
OF THE MACE

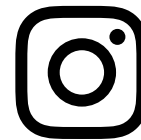


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WHEN YOU'VE FINISHED

Take a picture of your Mace and share it with us! Ask a parent or guardian first and post your finished masterpiece to Twitter or Instagram with the hashtag #qpkids!

ABOVE: A FINISHED
MACE CRAFT



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