

HOW TO FAKE A UFO

MATERIALS

- A long stick/mop/broom/metre ruler,
- Tinfoil
- Small recycled items like toothpaste lids, bottle caps and a jam jar lid
- Nylon thread or clear fishing wire
- Hot glue gun
- iPad or camera phone

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Choose the items to make the UFO and cover with tinfoil.
2. Glue together
3. Glue one end of the thread onto the top of the UFO.
4. Tie the other end of the thread onto the pole.
5. Next comes to the optical illusion. Experiment with different angles to make it look like a UFO is flying in the sky. The photographer may need to get low. Try pictures where people are pointing at the UFO for perspective. This may take several attempts! Remember your UFO needs to be small so it looks far away compared to someone's hand.

NOTE: I used clear wire on a sunny day and it reflected. I ended up colouring the line blue with vivid. This meant some pictures worked and others did not. From a STEM point of view you can experiment with different colours of thread because white or grey might work best on a cloudy day.

