



Inside of can showing string threaded through hole on either side and knotted firmly



Tin Can Stilts

As well as making telephones out of old tin cans (such as baked beans cans, tinned tomatoes or spaghetti cans), you can also turn a pair of old cans into a pair of stilts. As with the phones, wash your cans thoroughly and remove the labels. You're going to be standing on these tin cans so choose an appropriate size—the bigger cans are better for sturdier children or people with larger feet! You need to remove one end of the can (i.e. the lid) and drill two holes in either side of each can (towards the top of the end with the base). Get yourself some durable twine or thin rope. This will make the handles of the stilts, so you need enough length to include leg height and some left over bits for the knots. Thread the rope through the holes (via the inside of the cans), tying a strong knot to prevent the rope from slipping through. And there, you go, a pair of stilts ready to try out...

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