Tomte Time!

Have fun creating this cute craft that connects to the fairy tale, The Trolls and the Youngest Tomte by Alfred Smedberg.

Materials:

Paper Tube
Scissors
Paint (or markers/crayons)
Optional small pom pom and glue to create a nose.
Step one:
Take your paper tube, and cut a slit about 1/3 way down the tube on one side and then do the same on the opposite side.

Step Two:
Make another cut of the same length in between the two slits on one side only. You should have 3 slits.
Step Three:
Fold down the three slits into the tube.

Step Four:
Cut a hat shape. Be creative! You can make your hat straight up and down, or curved!
Step Five:

Paint! Be sure to leave a space between your tomte’s body and hat for the face. For younger children, it may be helpful to draw lines to draw the lines for the hat and beard.
You may want to glue a pom pom nose overlapping the top of the beard and the bottom of the face. We didn’t have any at home, so our noses must be hidden below the beard!

Enjoy your new tomte! Maybe you can make a home for it using more recyclable materials like milk jugs and boxes! If you make some tomten at home, please share them with us!