Make a homemade parachute out of a plastic grocery bag!

You can ask an adult to help you make this toy parachute in just a few simple steps.

What You Need:

- Plastic grocery bag
- **Scissors**
- * String
- * Small weight (paper clip or lightweight toy)

Instructions:

- * Cut a circle out of the grocery bag (use a large dinner plate to draw the circle).
- 2 Cut your string into four even pieces, each one about 12 inches long.
- * Make a small hole on four corners of the circle and tie a piece of string to each hole.
- * Tie the other ends of the strings to a small weight. Be sure the strings aren't tangled!
- Prop your parachute from mid-air and watch it float to the ground!

Parachutes work because air resistance pushes against the surface material, slowing it down. You can make your parachute fall straighter by cutting a small hole in the middle of the plastic bag to allow air to flow through the middle rather than over the sides! If you can find a larger plastic bag to make a bigger parachute, it will work for a larger toy like a small stuffed animal.



