



How to make your own bird feeder



What you need:

- dry ingredients
 - bird seed
 - dried fruit
 - cooked rice
 - breadcrumbs
 - grated cheese
 - chopped nuts

- hard cooking fat (lard or suet)

- a pine cone, coconut shell or yoghurt pot



Use an old yoghurt pot for this, and always recycle after it's been used

- string



- 1 Mix all the dry ingredients together in a bowl



- 2 Add the fat and give it a good mix around

- 3 Choose your feeder



plaster all over a pine cone



put it round the inside of a coconut shell



press into a yoghurt pot

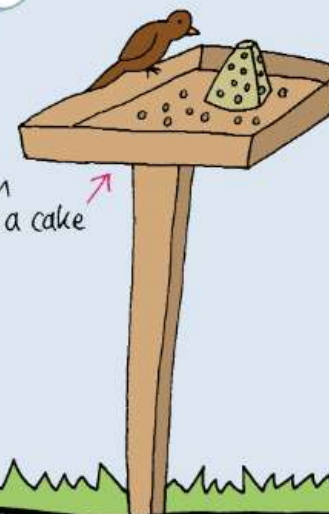
You can hang this upside down like a bell or turn it out like a cake

- 4 Hang your feeders with string (you may need to make holes and tie the string in before adding the mix)



Hang your feeder where you can watch birds without disturbing them

If you need to melt the fat, ask an adult to help




How to make your own compost



You will need:

- a shady spot where a heap will stay moist

- some old bricks 

- long sticks or branches 

- soil or manure 

- gardening fork

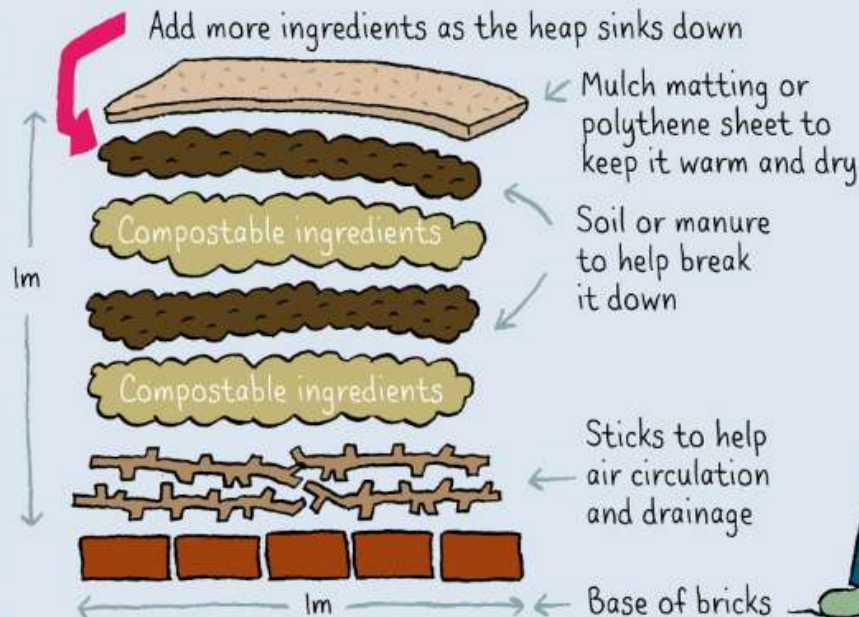


- a piece of mulch matting or polythene sheet



- compostable ingredients!

Save up enough ingredients for a week or two until you have enough to build a heap in one day.



Wait at least 3 months and turn the heap once with a garden fork



tea leaves



raw fruit and veg peelings



grass cuttings



dead leaves



shredded paper



prunings and dead plants



cotton and wool



woody stems



cooked food scraps



cat or dog poo



meat or bones



weed seedheads



perennial weed roots



diseased plants