

Research Week Submission

3-D Sculpture

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Research Problem Statement:

More and more, you hear about issues arising from poor manufacturing. This is a big problem in kids toys. One in three toys made in China contain heavy metals and levels of lead. With toys being tested and proving they have traces of lead, arsenic, cadmium, mercury, antimony, or chromium.

Communication Objective:

With these increasing levels of chemicals and harmful substances being tested and showing up in children's toys, I wanted to create a toy (sculpture) that would be safer for kids to play with. These toys are handmade and will last for years, being made out of clean materials that give parents peace of mind with what they are giving their children.

Visual Solution:

This project is a small deer stuffed animal, hand-knit, securely sewn together, and built to last.

Production:

It was produced with 3 millimeter round knitting needles, a cotton blend yarn and eyes secured to the head of the deer with strong backing. I knit each piece, started to sew them closed, simultaneously stuffing each piece with safe cotton stuffing and securing them shut as I went.

Biblical Worldview

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While brainstorming this project, I wanted to choose something that would not only be fun for me and solve a problem, but also bring glory to God. There is such strong imagery in God being called our Father that helps Christians to connect the loving yet fearful relationship that we have with the Father God. With this in mind, it has so much meaning to create projects that are not only with children in mind but really to be given to children. It is a beautiful thing to not only create projects that will be used consistently and enjoyed, but created for children to better appreciate our Father's creation and his creatures that He cares for.

