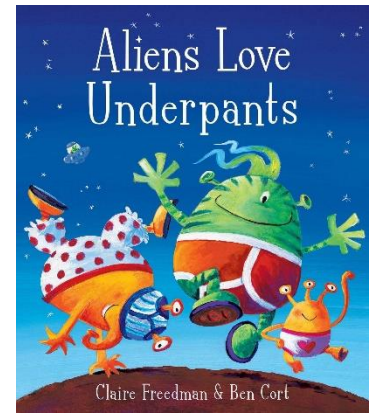


# Aliens Love Underpants

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- Create a washing line of underpants of all sizes and colours. Encourage children to sort them into sizes, patterns, etc. You could number the underpants with sticky labels and sort them numerically.
- Cut out underpants shaped paper and allow the children to decorate them with paints, crayons, collage and stickers.
- Use paper plates to design spaceships for the aliens. Paint with silver paint or decorate by wrapping in tin foil and decorating with stickers.
- Make some flying saucer cookies using a simple biscuit recipe and adding an extra blob of dough in the middle. When baked, decorate them with small sweets and icing to look like a flying saucer (you could also use shop bought biscuits and stick a marshmallow in the middle instead then decorate around the outside as before).
- Draw or paint your own alien on paper counting the number of eyes, arms, etc.
- Encourage the children to 'help' hang the washing out on the line. If you're really brave, you could even let them wash their own clothes or their dolls' clothes in soapy water and hang them out using pegs to help with their fine motor skills.
- Create your own alien out of playdough or clay. Use pipe cleaners, googly eyes, buttons, etc. to decorate.
- Using junk modelling, make a spaceship for the aliens to zoom back to space in.

