

# Frugal Fun

## Paper Bag Popcorn Turkey

Thanksgiving dinner can take hours to cook. Try this clever way to serve up a light snack while everyone's waiting for the main event! It's also a great idea for school parties and football nights.

### Shop at Dollar Tree – Here's What You'll Need:

- Paper Grocery Bag
- 2 Brown Paper Lunch Bags
- 1 Sheet of White Paper
- Stapler or Tape
- 3 to 4 Bags of Prepopped or Unbuttered Air-Popped Popcorn (note: oil-popped popcorn will cause grease spots to appear on the paper bags. If oil-popped or microwave popcorn are your only choices, first line the paper bags with cellophane or aluminum foil.)



### Easy Step-by-Step Directions:

1. Pull the handles off of the large grocery bag. If your bag has printing on it, carefully turn it inside out.
2. Round the bottom of the bag by tucking in the corners.
3. Fill the bag  $\frac{2}{3}$  full with popcorn.
4. Fold the bag opening under and in toward the center. Staple or tape in place.
5. Insert your fist into each lunch bag and shape the bottoms around it to make a drumstick shape. Fill  $\frac{2}{3}$  of each bag with popcorn and twist the top of the bags closed.
6. Cut a sheet of white paper in half lengthwise. Fold each piece in half lengthwise. Snip every  $\frac{1}{4}$ " or so along the folded edge to make a fringe.
7. Wrap each white strip multiple times around the twisted end of each lunch bag and fluff the fringe. Tape in place.
8. Tape the drumsticks to the body.
9. Let an adult or older child "carve" the turkey with scissors so everyone can dig in... until it's time for the real turkey!