

## **ACTIVITY #7**

### **CAVING EQUIPMENT**

**Purpose:** Demonstrates the importance of carrying the proper equipment when exploring a cave or cavern.

**Materials:** Brown and Yellow Construction Paper  
Glue  
Scissors  
Tape  
Patterns for Caving Equipment

#### **Procedure:**

1. Cut brown construction paper into two 4" by 24" strips.
2. Cut 2 circles approximately 3" in diameter from the yellow paper.
3. Use one or two brown strips to measure head and staple or tape to the correct size.
4. Add one brown strip from front to back of the circle (See diagram).
5. Attach one yellow circle to the front-to-back strip on the helmet.
6. Roll one sheet of construction paper to form a tube and staple or tape to hold together.
7. Cut several slits (6 recommended) approximately ½ inch deep into one end of the tube.
8. Bend the tabs outward and dab glue onto each.
9. Place one yellow circle on the glue and hold until it dries.
10. Use crayons or markers to decorate the tube of the "flashlight."

#### **Comments:**

Time may be saved to have the 4" by 24" brown strips prepared prior to beginning the activity and by having several patterns for the 3" circles. For younger students, the teacher may need to measure the head of each child to make the initial circle with the brown paper. Paper towel rolls may be used in place of rolling brown construction paper. These pieces of equipment can be worn on tour!