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### 23 Cordz Ultimate Art Studio

A deceptively simple idea that should keep them entertained for hours. Choose a stencil shape, find the corresponding length of cord, put it into the "scribbler" and then move it over the board to create the shape of your choice – or do it freehand. The kit comes with pom-poms, googly eyes and hands and feet with which to accessorise your monster, person or abstract picture. There are four boards, which means everyone can have a go at once, and the possibilities are seemingly endless.

**Where** [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk)

**How much** £19.99



### 24 National Geographic Kids

Now, let me say straight away that there's no reason at all why this wouldn't be great for girls, but it had to go in somewhere. As the name suggests, this is the junior arm of that stunningly photographed magazine. Nifty editing pulls in younger readers with a picture of *SpongeBob SquarePants* and links it to a feature on underwater animals, and there are lots of accessible facts and bright graphics, as well as things to do and learn. A subscription to this would be a great present that lasts all year.

**Where** National Geographic Kids  
(0870 423 0684; [www.ngkids.co.uk](http://www.ngkids.co.uk))



### 25 Paper Making Kit

Girls love stationery, says Liz, and a brand-new writing and drawing set is girl heaven. With this kit they can recycle old letters, envelopes and newspapers to make their own paper, and you can add to the kit with a trip to the local stationer's to choose fancy pens, pencils and paints to make it more personal. Then they can write all their own thank-you letters on the paper they made themselves. Bingo.

**Where** Little Green Earthlets  
(0845 072 4462; [www.earthlets.co.uk](http://www.earthlets.co.uk))

**How much** £15.95